REV. GEORGE MILLER

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### Vicar for Clergy Database

Clergy Assignment Record (Detailed)

## Mr George M. Miller

Current Primary Assignment

Birth Date

3/12/1938

Birth Place

Los Angeles, California, USA

Age:

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Diaconate Ordination

Priesthood Ordination

5/1/1963

Diocese Name

Archdiocese of Los Angeles

Date of Incardination

10/31/1959

Religious Community

Ritual Ascription

Latin

Ministry Status

To Lay State Layperson

Incard Process

Canon State Begin Pension Date

Home phone

(805) 487-2991

Seminary

St. John's Seminary, Camarillo

**Ethnicity** 

American (USA)

#### **Fingerprint Verification and Safeguard Training**

Date Background Check Virtus Training Date

#### **Assignment History**

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Assignment Returned To Lay State, Protocol No. 657/2004	<b>Beginning Date</b> 5/25/2005	Completion Date
Retired with No Faculties, RETIRED NO FACULTIES, NO PERMISSION TO MINISTER	2/1/1998	
Retired Living Privately, Retired without faculties, out of priestly ministry.	2/1/1998	
Inactive Leave	7/1/1997	1/31/1998
Sick Leave	5/20/1996	6/30/1997
Santa Clara Catholic Church, Oxnard Associate Pastor (Parochial Vicar), Active Service	3/1/1984	5/19/1996
Guardian Angel Catholic Church, Pacolma Pastor, Active Service	9/1/1981	2/28/1984
Chaplain, Active Service, Camp Karl Holton-Pacoima	6/25/1976	8/31/1981
Guardian Angel Catholic Church, Pacoima Team Ministry, Active Service	2/19/1976	8/31/1981

Guardian Angel Catholic Church, Pacoima Administrator Pro Tem, Active Service	1/19/1976	2/18/1976
Guardian Angel Catholic Church, Pacoima Team Ministry, Active Service	7/16/1973	1/18/1976
St. Philomena Catholic Church, Carson Associate Pastor (Parochial Vicar), Active Service	9/10/1971	7/15/1973
San Buenaventura Mission Catholic Church, Ventura Associate Pastor (Parochial Vicar), Active Service	1/30/1968	9/9/1971
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, Santa Clarita Associate Pastor (Parochial Vicar), Active Service	5/14/1963	1/29/1968

June 23, 197

Dear Rev. Magr. Rawden, I feel it is my duty to enform you that my son, REDACTED was sepually molested by Father Miller, of Guardian angel Parish. My son goes to school their. Tather became friendly with him, and during Easter vacation, on april 14 and 15, 1977. took him on a fishing trip with fine. I was greatful that Yather took this intrest, but on June 15th father asked to take REDACTED on another tryp. I said yes, and when I told my son about the Trip, he became very upset, and refused to go. Not understanding

this, I questioned fine, and he tolohne of this encident. I took REDACTED to a therapeat. His name is REDACTED REDACTED after a few sessions he was able to get REDACTED to tell him everything, and is seere that this did happen. My sore is years old, he is very disturbed about what has happened, and is still seeing the therapest. I believe Father Miller needs help also. I fear that now he may single out another child. I prefer that the Church authorities handle this situation. So far those whom I have spoken to prefer peeping their names out of it, and staying in-involved. I was told by one to write this letter to you personally.

flower help us with this, unless your feel I should take further action. I would appreciate some type of answer. I cannot stress strongly enough my feelings to have him removed from the passibility of molesting another child.

Sencerely,

REDACTED

P.S. Jam leaving town this afternoon, and will be back July 13Th you

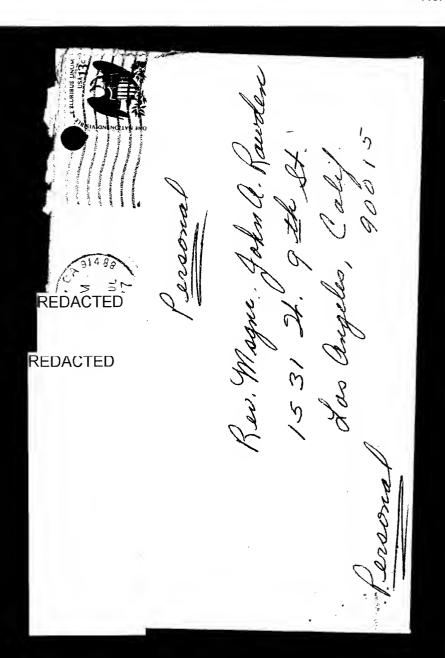
July 13, 19 Dear Mogne Rawden, In regards to the letter I sent you June 23, 1977, concerning Father Miller and my son. Tather Meller met and myself July 12. I feel that what Tather said happened could not have been mestaken for what my son said he experienced. I realize their is no proof, so I guess there is nothing else to be done. I told father I could not

accept his story. I wish I could have. At least now, you are aware of the possibility that this may have happened. Jather Miller also is warned, if in fact he did this.

P.S. If any further Sencerely, Contact is needed REDACTED with REDACTED

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#### CONFIDENTIAL

August 11, 1977

Your Eminence:

I have discussed this matter again with Father George Miller in Pacoima.

As the correspondence indicates, he had a meeting with the mother of the boy and REDACTED , a counselor. Father Miller denied any immoral conduct.

The counselor never called me back and when I tried to get in touch with him he had moved. \*

The mother, as you will note from the correspondence, is not convinced but I believe it shows good faith and probably innocence that Father Miller was willing to initiate a meeting with not only the mother but with the counselor.

At this time, I would recommend no further action.

Father Miller suggested a meeting with the boy and his mother before school starts this year in order to clear the air as the boy is a student in their grade school. I did not comment on the feasibility of this.

Monsignor Rawden

REDACTED

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First George Tit\_\_ Rev. Last Miller Birthplace U.S.

California, Los Angeles Year 1938 DOB 3/12/38 Age **58** 

Seminary St. John, Camarillo, CA Ordained 63

Incardinated X Diocese Order

Inactive Living/Working Diocesan X Religious Assigned 84 Institution Santa Clara Church

Address2 Address1 323 South "E" St.

State CA Zip 93030-5835 Country City Oxnard

FAX(805) 483-1734 Home REDACTED Private Work

Status Associate

Comment Santa Clara Chapel Phone: (805) 405-7335 Fax: (805) 981-1183

Date Assigned 3/01/84 Date Entered 2/24/86

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#### Appointments

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Newhall - Associate 05/14/63 San Buenaventura Mission, Ventura - Associate 01/30/68 St. Philomena, Carson - Associate 09/10/71 Guardian Angel, Pacoima - Team Ministry 07/16/73 Guardian Angel, Pacoima - Administrator Pro Tem 01/19/76 to 02/19/76 Camp Karl Holton, Pacoima (Juvenile Detention) Chaplain 06/25/76 Guardian Angel, Pacoima - Pastor 09/01/81 Resigned as Pastor of Guardian Angel, Pacoima - 03/01/84 Santa Clara, Oxnard - Associate 03/01/84

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Father George Miller

September 22, 1989

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I spoke to Monsignor Charles O'Gorman, pastor of Santa Clara parish, Oxnard, today in connection with Father Miller's application for the pastorate of St. Joseph, Carpinteria. Monsignor mentioned that Father Miller had a propensity for spending time with minors, that he had young people to his room, and that he tended to travel with them. Monsignor has cautioned him about the latter and has been uncomfortable with Father Miller's spending time with minors.



# Notes from Telephone Conversations of Msgr. Richard Loomis with REDACTED - May 16, 1996

Concerning a complaint of child abuse against Father George Miller

Work Number: REDACTED {work hours = 6:00 AM to 3:30 PM EST}

Shortly before lunch, a man called saying that his brother had just informed his mother about being abused by a priest years ago when they were in school. The man said that he had been abused, too, but not to the extent that his brother had. This priest was the pastor of the parish and a friend of the family. The man was very angry and wanted to know what the Church was going to do. He did not want his family hurt and wanted to handle everything in a confidential manner. This priest has also molested other children. His cousin found the priest at the family beach house with another boy one-and-a-half years ago. However, the man did not want to give the name of the priest, the parish or school, or his family name. He needed time to think it over. He would only say that his first name was REDACTED and that he would call back.

I explained our desire to provide psychological support and to remove the priest from the position of being a danger to others. I encouraged him to call back and asked that he please help us remove the priest from the position of possibly harming other children.

He called back after lunch to say that now that it is out in the open, he wants to respond to it. He named Father George Miller, Santa Clara Chapel, Oxnard. He said that the molestation of himself and his brother happened while Father was pastor at Guardian Angel, Pacoima. This had been kept quiet for years because REDACTED REDACTED Father did his REDACTED However, one-and-a-half years ago his REDACTED said she had found Father with another boy at the family beach house. This substantially ended the contact with himself and his brother. However, his mother only found out today (he is now 31). Now that she knows, something must be done.

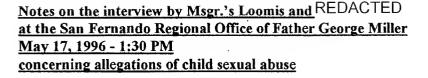
He asked for a conference call with himself, Father Miller and myself. He would see what he would do based on Father's response. I told him I could not force Father to do that but would present the option to him. I got his work number and told him I would call back tomorrow.

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According to Archdiocesan records, Father Miller was assigned to Guardian Angel, Pacoima from 7/16/73 to 3/1/84

- appointed to team ministry 7/16/73
- administrator-pro-tem 1/19/76 to 2/19/76
- pastor 9/1/81 to 3/1/84 (resigned the parish)

N.B. He also served as chaplain to Camp Karl Holton (Juvenile Detention) from 6/25/76 to -?-.





Msgr. Charles O'Gorman accompanied Father Miller. The allegations from the phone call of REDACTED were outlined verbally to Father Miller.

He started by replying to the most recent allegation, of being found with a boy in the family's beach house a year-and-a-half ago, by explaining that it was his godson. He often spends time with him, including going to the beach, etc. He has even been in the rectory. He did not specifically deny sexual contact with the boy. He simply excused his presence by the fact of their relationship.

His recollection of the REDACTED family was that REDACTED was high-strung and got upset about things. He confirmed that he knew them when in Guardian Angel, Pacoima.

Father made no response to the complaint of abuse. When pressed about what Mr. REDACTED might have meant by "sexual abuse," Father Miller went into a convoluted explanation of how things can be misinterpreted when there is physical contact between people. Sometimes someone can take something one way when there is no intention of that at all on the part of the other person. I said I did not understand him. He said that for example when people wrestle one might touch something or a part of the body which could be taken as abuse when the other did not intend anything sexual.

When I asked, did he mean that he was denying any sexual activity with either boy, he thought for a moment and carefully said that there had never been any genital contact between them. I asked if he was saying there had been other types of contact which could be interpreted as sexual, he evaded with more comments like "when people wrestle ..."

I asked if he was willing to have a three-way conversation with REDACTED by phone, letting him know that he did not have to answer me at the time since there were ramifications, legal among them, to think about. I made clear that he did not have to take part in the call at all. However, he said that he would be open to it.

I told him not to try to contact the REDACTED because it could be taken as harassment or coercion. I told him that, if they try to make contact, he should refer them to me and I will explain why he cannot speak with them. I also told him that I would have to speak with the Cardinal and that, since there was a previous allegation, he might well be asked to have a psychological evaluation.

Throughout the conversation, he chose his words very carefully and thoughtfully. He did not show any shock, surprise, or strong emotion. He did not straight-out deny any wrongdoing but used evasive language which was neither an admission nor a denial.



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MEMO

Friday, May 17, 1996

TO: MSGR. RICHARD LOOMIS

FROM: REDACTED

RE: INTERVENTION OF THIS DATE

as you suggested, here are a few reflections and impressions on my part regarding our conversation this afternoon with George Miller.

I think you very clearly and sensitively informed him of the allegations of molestation. You mentioned that there were two calls made to you by the alleged victim, and that it was during the second call that he mentioned George by name.

You did mention to George that the alleged victim gave no specifics as to the actual action or actions on George's part which caused so much pain in his life. He also alleged that his brother had been molested by George.

You mentioned that the call was made because the family is planning a wedding and some members of the family suggested George as the celebrant, the victim stating that he was completely opposed to George's participation. There was also mention that George had been seen in the beach house of some member of the family in the sole company of a minor.

You also mentioned that the victim was, at this time, simply asking for some kind of conference call on the phone, reserving any decision about further action until this call is made.

George did agree to this conference call with you present for this call. In light of the potential ramifications, I would suggest that this call be taped, with the knowledge of both parties.



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Overall, I was surprised by George's reaction. Externally, he seemed rather calm. He did not deny the allegations or admit to any wrongdoing. He did try to explain it as a possible misinterpretation on the part of the alleged victim. He did speak of "wrestling" as a possible explanation.

You did speak to him about some kind of psychological evaluation, and he did appear to be open to that.

It's hard to put my finger on it, but my guts just tell me that there is some fire under all this smoke. I'm just not comfortable with George's reaction.

This is especially true in light of the previous allegations made about this brother. Although that allegation was "resolved" according to George, this now makes 3 victims who have come forward.

Irrespective of the decisions made by this alleged victim, I would strongly urge some kind of in-depth evaluation, for George's own sake. If he is really struggling with his sexuality, he needs and deserves all the help we can give him.

If I can be of any further assistance, please call me.



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### **MEMORANDUM**

To: Cardinal Roger Mahony

From: Monsignor Richard Loomis

Date: Monday, May 20, 1996

Re: Father George Miller

Your Eminence,

REDACTED has lodged a complaint against Father George Miller for sexual abuse against himself and his brother when they were minors at Guardian Angel, Pacoima.

REDACTED now lives in REDACTED and works in REDACTED

Father Miller is a long-time, close friend of the family. REDACTED describes Father Miller as "99% great priest and 1% molester." He says that Father had a "failed attempt" at fondling him but that he molested his brother some fifteen to twenty years ago. He says the activity was fondling. He says his brother was more the victim than he was. He also says that his cousin found Father Miller at the family beach house in the Oxnard area with a young man only a year-and-a-half ago. It is not exactly clear what transpired in that case. Father Miller denies any sexual activity, saying he was with his godson. REDACTED is being very protective of his family and will not give permission for us to contact them for further information.

Father Miller already has a C-file from Monsignor Rawden's time (1977) with an allegation of a similar nature with a different family. That complaint was never clearly verified and simply notes that the counselor in the case said that it should be kept for future reference. The file also says that, although he never saw any actual abuse, Monsignor REDACTED was not comfortable with the way Father related to young people (1989). He did know that Father had minors to his room and took vacations with them.

When confronted with the allegations by REDACTED and myself, Father Miller did not deny these allegations. Instead, he used convoluted descriptions of how something might happen that one person might perceive as sexual or as abuse but that the other person never intended in a sexual manner. He showed no strong emotion when confronted with the current allegations or when reminded of the prior allegations.

asked for a conference call with Father to determine what action he would take. Though I warned Father Miller of possible legal ramifications and told Father Miller he did not have to agree, he did agree. REDACTED

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We made the call at 12:00 noon (our time) today. Father Miller was not evasive in the conference call. He admitted molesting REDACTED brother, REDACTED and asked forgiveness.

After the phone call, he also disclosed to me that he was molested as a boy on at least three occasions. He was relieved that it was finally out and that he might be able to do something about it.

I told him that he had to withdraw from ministry immediately. He is going to live temporarily in his REDACTED pending entry into evaluation and treatment.

Father REDACTED and I recommend that Father Miller go to Saint Michael's, Saint Louis, MO, for an evaluation. Father Bryant thinks that a comprehensive evaluation is in order since the history is so long - 20 years, plus his own childhood molestation - that a multiple-evaluator approach is warranted. When he returns from the evaluation, until we have a recommendation from Saint Michael's, I think we have no choice but to ask him to refrain from participation in ministry, reside at a retreat house and avoid all contact with minors.

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Further Telephone Conversation on 5/20/96



REDACTED clarified that the nature of the abuse is physical, sexual fondling.

He indicated that his cousin walked in on the same with the other boy a year-and-a-half ago.

Father Miller was the most important man in his childhood. He still has a drawing that he did for school. When asked as a child to draw the most important person in his life, he drew Father Miller. Father was very close to the family and very close to his mother. He sees this as almost an incestuous relationship because of this relationship - he was literally, as well as spiritually, a father figure in the family.

The extent of the damage is exemplified by the fact that his mother was not able to go to the funeral of a close friend because Father Miller was going to be saying the Mass. She could not handle being in such proximity.

He once again said that Father Miller is 99% a wonderful priest and 1% a pedophile. The 1% wipes out all the rest.

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Notes on a Telephone Conversation between
Father George Miller and REDACTED
May 21, 1996 - 12:00 noon
Msgr. Richard Loomis also present
Vicar's office



After establishing the phone connection, I toldREDACTED that I was not an active participant in the conversation, that I would be taking notes and that Father Miller and I were the only ones present. He said that he would be taking notes, too.

Father Miller explained that I had told him of the allegations against him. He admitted the truth of the allegations and asked for forgiveness. "I am guilty of what you told Msgr. Loomis." He said that he knew it was devastating to the REDACTED family and to REDACTED family and to REDACTED brother). "I take responsibility. It has bothered me for years. Thank you for bringing it to Msgr. Loomis. I need to deal with these issues in my life."

REDACTED "I look at you and me as a failed attempt. But what you did to my brother - you were the only influential man in our lives - you were our Father! I see this as an incestuous relationship because of the relationship you had with us. He told me when you came with that other boy for the baseball card show. My mother didn't believe my cousin until spoke up. You know REDACTED and REDACTED my friends? REDACTED told us and we didn't realize it. He tried to tell us. You were a wonderful priest but what you did wipes it all out."

Father Miller denied all allegations from 1 ½ years ago. He insisted that there had bee no acting out other than REDACTED (REDACTED said he did not believe it.). "When I moved from Pacoima, I knew things had to change."

REDACTED said clearly, "Stay clear of my family!"

I offered therapy for the family. REDACTED doubts they will accept but he will make the offer.

REDACTED does not want Father Miller destroyed. Evaluation, treatment and ministry but not with children is what he wants. He wants to speak with Father before he goes to treatment. He wants to be in contact with the evaluator.

Fr. Miller can be reached at REDACTED



**Archdiocese of Los Angeles** 

Office of Vicar for Clergy (213) 251-3284 1531 West Ninth Street Los Angeles California 90015-1194

## CONFIDENTIAL

May 21, 1996

To: Monsignor R. Loomis REDACTED
From: REDACTED
Re:Review of File of Reverend George Miller
(In collaboration with REDACTED 05-20-96)

In 1977, there was an allegation of molestation of a ten year old. A therapist who talked to the youngster believed the allegation to be true. In spite of that, the therapist recommended the matter be dropped after Father Miller denied any "immoral behavior".

Fr. Miller served as chaplain to Camp Karl Holton (Juvenile Detention) from 6-25-76 to?

1984, Father Miller was transferred suddenly from his position as pastor of his parish in Pacoima to a position as an associate pastor in Oxnard. The file says nothing about this.

1989, Fr.REDACTED is pastor in Oxnard, complained that Fr. G.Miller violated Archdiocesan policy regulating behavior with minors. "He had people in his room and tended to travel with them." Uncomfortable with how George Miller spent time with minors.

Fr. G.Miller asked for pastorate in Carpentaria but was not given it because of the above concerns.

Fr. REDACTED indicated one year ago that he had not noticed any unusual behavior.

While the evidence in the file is scanty, the twenty year concern about Fr. Miller's behavior is significant. I suggest a multidisciplinary investigation/assessment to assure a comprehensive review which multiple assessors can do in a way that a solitary assessor cannot. To that end I have placed a call to St. Michael's Community in St. Louis to see if they are available to assess Fr. Miller.

cc. REDACTED



## St MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

... A HEALING PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS

May 23, 1996

Reverend George M. Miller Santa Clara Church 323 S. E St. Oxnard, CA 93030

Dear Father Miller:

The purpose of this letter is to confirm that your holistic evaluation has been scheduled beginning June 3, 1996 and concluding June 6, 1996. A summary session will take place on Thursday morning at 10:00 a.m. This meeting will give you in verbal form the results of our assessment and our recommendations. A written report, including all individual sessions, will follow in three or four weeks.

Please give us your flight information and arrival time as soon as possible before your arrival if you are traveling by air. We will have a driver meet you at the gate. If traveling by car, we can give directions over the telephone. We ask that you arrive here Sunday afternoon or evening, if at all possible. I am enclosing a map to St. Michael's for your information.

I have also enclosed a "Life History" form which we would like you to complete prior to your arrival at St. Michael's. In addition, if you have medical records which are no more than two months old, please bring these with you, or have them sent to Very Reverend Michael E. Foley, s.P., LCSW, D.Min.

In addition, I have enclosed a brochure which describes the therapeutic programs offered by the Servants of the Paraclete here at the St. Michael's Community.

I am looking forward to meeting you. If you have questions or concerns regarding the evaluation, please feel welcome to contact me any time during regular business hours.

Sincerely, REDACTED

Case Manager

**Enclosures** 

cc: Reverend Monsignor Richard A. Loomis Reverend REDACTED



## St. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

... A HEALING PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS

May 23, 1996

REDACTED EDACTED

Archdiocese of Los Angeles 1531 West 9th St. Los Angeles, CA 90015-1194

Dear REDACTED

This letter is to notify you that the Evaluation Feedback Session for and the staff involved in this process will be held Thursday, June 6, 1996 at 10:00 a.m. This meeting will give you in verbal form the results of our assessment and our recommendations. A written report will be sent in three or four weeks.

It would be helpful to our staff if you could send background information pertinent to Reverend Miller's presenting problems (e.g., the events that precipitated the decision to evaluate him, previous problems, etc.). This information is shared with Reverend Miller at my initial orientation meeting with him before he begins the evaluation week.

If you or your designated representative are able to attend the feedback session, we hope you will be able to spend some time at St. Michael's afterwards. You are more than welcome to stay for mass at 11:45 a.m. and dinner at 12:30 p.m.

In order to facilitate our transportation schedule, please let me know your transportation plans as soon as possible before your arrival. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time. I am enclosing a map to St. Michael's for your information.

Sincerely, REDACTED

Case Manager

Enclosure

cc: Reverend Monsignor Richard A. Loomis

SERVANTS OF THE PARACLETE 13270 Maple Drive, St. Louis, Missouri 63127

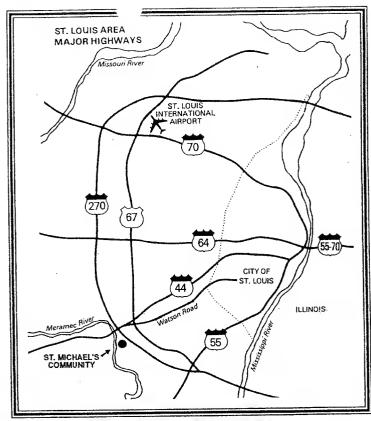
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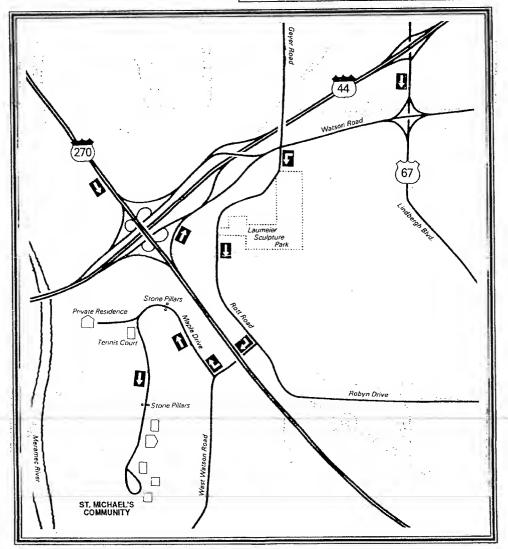
FROM ST. LOUIS: Take I-44 West to U.S. 67 (Lindbergh Blvd.). Turn left at the bottom of the exit ramp (South). The exit onto Watson Road is about 1/2 mile South. Turn right onto Watson Road. Proceed to the traffic lights at the Watson, Geyer and Rott Road intersection. Turn left onto Rott Road.

ONCE YOU ARE ON ROTT ROAD: Proceed about 200 yards to the stop sign, veer right, continuing Rott Road. Go about <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> mile to another stop sign at *West* Watson Road. Turn right, proceed under the highway overpass, and turn right at the first road just past the overpass. This is Maple Drive.

ONCE YOU ARE ON MAPLE DRIVE: Go up the hill, the road goes to the left at the top of the hill. Continue on through the stone pillars until you come to the tennis court; here the road forks. Keep left; proceed through another set of stone pillars. You are now on the grounds of St. Michael's Community. Follow the signs to the Administration Center.

If you need further assistance, please call 965-0860(during regular business hours) or 965-0882. Looking forward to seeing you and have a safe trip!









# MEMORANDUM OFFICE OF THE VICAR FOR CLERGY

TO:

REDACTED

FROM:

RE:

Father George Miller

DATE:

May 29, 1996

This memorandum is to notify you that Father George M. Miller has been placed on Sick Leave effective May 20, 1996.

Therefore, the Archdiocese is now responsible for his pension premiums. His mailing address is as follows:

Santa Clara Church 323 South "E" Street Oxnard, CA 93030-5835 SSAREDACTED

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.





**Archdiocese of Los Angeles** 

REDACTED

1531 West Ninth Street

Los Angeles California 90015-1194

May 29, 1996

Reverend George Miller c/o Santa Clara Church 323 South "E" Street Oxnard, CA 93030-5835

Dear Father Miller:

As a follow-up to our telephone conversation, I am enclosing your airplane tickets to St. Louis, Missouri.

Accordingly, your itinerary is as follows:

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 2

Depart LAX @ 12:05 PM -- TWA #150 Arrive in St. Louis Intl. @ 5:32 PM

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 7

Depart St. Louis Intl. @ 11:50 AM -- TWA #37 Arrive LAX, 1:51 PM

If I can be of further assistance to you, I can be reached at (213) 251-3573.

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Since fely yours, REDACTED

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1531 West Ninth Street Los Angeles California 90015-1194

May 30, 1996

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Dear REDACTED

As you know, Fathers George Miller and REDACTED will be traveling to St. Louis, Missouri next week. Therefore, their reservations have been made and confirmed as follows:

### FATHER GEORGE MILLER

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#### FATHER REDACTED

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5

Depart LAX @ 11:05 AM -- American Airlines #550 Arrive Dallas, Fort Worth @ 4:10 PM

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#### FRIDAY, JUNE 7

Depart St. Louis Intl. @ 11:31 AM - American Airlines #1828

Letter to REDACTED Page 2. May 30, 1996

Please note that they are scheduled to return on the same day, but on different airlines. However, they can be driven to the airport at the same time since there is not much time difference between their departure times.

Thank you very much for making the necessary transportation arrangements during their stay at the Center.

Sincerely yours, REDACTED

## REDACTED REDACTED

cc: Father REDACTED
Father George Miller



## **MEMORANDUM**

May 31, 1996

CONFIDENTIAL

To: St. Michael's therapeutic feam From: REDACTED

Re: GEORGE MILLER

Concerning the allegation in 1977: REDACTED wrote a letter to the pastor, Mgsr. Rawden, alleging that her son, REDACTED was molested during a fishing trip at Eastertime, April 14, 15th with Fr. George Miller. On June 15, 1977, George again approached REDACTED about another outing. REDACTED recoiled and refused to go. REDACTED said upon inquiry that her son said that he had been sexually molested. She sent him to a counselor who wrote to the pastor that he agreed that sexual molestation had taken place. When the pastor talked to the counselor, the counselor suggested that the situation be tabled! George was approached and claimed that there was a misunderstanding, that he had done nothing immoral.

The matter was filed and nothing done.

That's the way it was done twenty years ago.

Alas.



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INFORMATION ON GEORGE MILLER RE: BACK GROUND

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# Santa Clara Church

323 SOUTH E STREET OXNARD, CA 93030 (805) 487-3891

JUNE 1, 1996

DEAR Roger

I FEIT THAT I HAD TO WRITE THIS LATTON
TO YOU EXPROSSING MY APOLOGICS TO YOU - TO All I
HAVE HURT DUE TO MY MIS CONDUCT - I KNOW THAT
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THERE ARE MANY REGRETS I HAVE IN MY LIFE THIS IS THE GREATEST OF THEM AIL. AS I LOOK BACK ON AIL OF THIS, I WISH IT NEVER HAPPONDE. NONOTHERS, I HAVE TO CONFIDENCE AND THIS + AIL THE OTHER PAINS + CONFLICTS IN MY LIFE. I KNOW THAT I SHOULD HAVE deal with THE SOONON, BIT I just put Them off.

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for George Miller

Santa Clara Church 323 South E Street Oxnard, CA 9303

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Internal Medicine

June 5, 1996

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ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY 13270 Maple Drive St. Louis, MO 63127

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I had the pleasure of examining who is undergoing evaluation at your center. As you are aware, he is a 48-year old male who has been asked to undergo evaluation related to allegations of sexual abuse and molestation. REDACTED REDACTED

Please let me know if any additional services are required, or if we may assist with Fr. Miller's assessment in any other way.

Sincerely, REDACTED



## St MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

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#### PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION

Subject Name: Reverend George M. Miller

Dates of Testing: June 3-6, 1996

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#### **Introduction:**

George Miller is a 58-year-old white male priest from the archdiocese of Los Angeles, California. He was referred to St. Michael's for evaluation by REDACTED

The referral information basically consisted of confidential records that have been kept by the archdiocese. The most recent memorandum was dated May 20, 1996. This is a letter to Cardinal Mahony from Monsignor Richard Loomis, the Priest Personnel Director. In this letter, Monsignor Loomis states that a man has lodged a complaint against Father Miller for sexual abuse against himself and his brother when they were minors at Guardian Angel Parish in Pacoima. He states that Father Miller had a "failed attempt" at fondling him but that he did, in fact, molest his brother and that this took place some 15-20 years ago. Father Miller admits to this inappropriate behavior. This man also told Monsignor Loomis that his cousin found Father Miller at the family beach house in the Oxnard area with a young man only a year and a half ago. Father Miller denies any sexual activity at this time and says that he was with his

### PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION Reverend George M. Miller

godson. Father Miller also admits to having had sexual contact with other minors, who may have been about nine or ten years of age, during the time of this alleged incident.

There were also allegations made in 1977 that Father Miller had sexually molested a young man. At the time, the young man went to a counselor who wrote to Father Miller's pastor attesting to the fact that a molestation had taken place. Father Miller went to a counselor who suggested that the entire thing "be tabled." At the time, George was approached and claimed that there was a misunderstanding and that he had done nothing immoral. However, he now does admit to having had sexual involvement with several boys. Father Miller has admitted the truth of these allegations and is seeking forgiveness. In fact, he says that this has bothered him for years and that he is now "somewhat relieved."

Upon receiving this information, the Cardinal Archbishop has instructed Father Miller to refrain from participation in the active ministry. He is to reside at a retreat house and avoid all contact with minors.

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# PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION Reverend George M. Miller

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Underlying this appear to be strong feelings of social and sexual inadequacy. Obviously, this is related to George's sexual involvement with children. REDACTED REDACTED

REDACTED In the interviews, George says that he was basically trying to supply for these boys what he missed when he was a child himself.

These results do suggest that George has many of the personality characteristics that are generally related to people who are inappropriately involved with children in a sexual manner REDACTED

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At the same time, George appears to be quite impulsive and may engage in acting-out behaviors. Obviously, this has happened on a number of occasions in terms of his sexual involvement with children. REDACTED

# **PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION Reverend George M. Miller**

difficulty in terms of delaying gratification and may tend to seek immediate responses for his impulsive desires. George's drawing also suggests that he experiences sexual inadequacy and psychosexual immaturity which are related to his sexual experiences. George will attempt to keep his impulses from hindering his intellect. In other words, he tries to separate his desires from his behavior by intellectualizing. However, this does not always work. George's feelings of insecurity and helplessness are offset by high needs for achievement and physical strength which also show up in his drawing. However, these needs appear to be unmet and he may engage in relationships and sexual activities with children in an effort to feel physically strong.

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Then, George will tend to relate only to those people who are perceived by him as being "safe" or dependent. Obviously, this will add a strong relationship to his involvement with children. REDACTED

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# PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION Reverend George M. Miller

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The following diagnostic impressions result from this psychological assessment:

1) 302.2--Pedophilia

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## PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION Reverend George M. Miller

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Given George's psychosocial history and presenting problems, along with the results of this psychological evaluation, it is strongly recommended that he participate in a residential treatment program. REDACTED REDACTED

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Hopefully, after reading this report and discussing it with appropriate people, George will make a decision to enter into a comprehensive, residential holistic treatment program.

Thank you for the opportunity of evaluating George Miller.

REDACTED

Ph.D.

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## PSYCHIATRIC EVALUATION CONCERNING:

June 5, 1996

REDACTED

M.D.

#### Identifying Data:

This is the first St. Michael's office visit for this 58-year-old diocesan priest from Los Angeles, California.

#### **Admission Status:**

Voluntary.

Informants include Father George who is considered generally reliable as well as records from his diocese.

#### **Precipitating Events:**

Allegations.

#### Reason for evaluation:

The above allegations.

#### Referral Source:

St. Michael's.

#### Estimated Length of Stay:

For purposes of evaluation 3-5 days.

#### **Chief Complaint:**

"Molestation."

#### Present Illness:

Father George says that there were some instances of fondling with young children, all boys, 15 years ago and farther back. This may have involved a number of young boys including the oldest who was 17 years old. He said it involved only touching. It may have involved members of his parishioners' families. REDACTED

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# PSYCHIATRIC EVALUATION CONCERNING: Reverend George M. Miller

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ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

PSYCHO/SOCIAL HISTORY
June 4, 1996

REDACTED

M.S.W., L.C.S.W.

## **Identifying Information:**

Reverend George Miller is a 58-year-old male. He is a priest in the diocese of Los Angeles.

## Presenting Problem: ...

George states that the "archdiocese of Los Angeles has sent me to St. Michael's because of molestation." That is, a man recently came forward accusing George of having molested him some 14 or 15 years ago.

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Psycho/Social History Reverend George M. Miller

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after he was ordained and working in a parish.

At this time, he met someone in a parish, a 17-year-old boy, whom George said "approached me." They became friends, and the relationship became sexual. George was in his late 30's at the time. In regards to the current accusation of molestation, George states that this occurred with a boy and involved George's "touching the boy's privates" (i.e. genitals). George also states that about 20 years ago, he had similar experiences with two other boys, both of them "a lot younger" than the person now bringing forth the accusation. Both instances occurred one time at separate times and involved "touching."

#### **Employment History:**

Since ordination, George has worked as associate pastor and pastor. In describing how he feels about his work, he states that his work is "good" and that he "really enjoys it."

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Psycho/Social History Reverend George M. Miller

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Father George said that he was feeling some mixed emotions; anxieties about the allegations but also a sense of being glad to be here to deal with them. George said that he had read the various correspondence about the allegations. He admitted to the accusations and expressed his regret for them being so painful for the children and for himself.

It is very difficult for George to talk about the details of the accusations. He preferred to speak in generalities. However, I tried to have him be as explicit and detailed as possible. He tried to do the best he could to be more specific. As George talked about the circumstances of some of the allegations, it seemed that he was honestly not aware of the effect this had on the young people involved. In some instances, George initiated the sexual encounters. In other instances, at least one of the young people came into his bedroom and slept on top of the covers but on George's bed.

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## PASTORAL CARE EVALUATION Reverend George M. Miller

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Notes on Two Telephone Conversations

Msgr. Richard Loomis

June 6, 1996

# CONFIDENTIAL

#### 8:30 AM - with REDACTED

I called regarding REDACTED request to Fr. Miller that he take part in a second "conference call." Fr. Miller had said, "No," by way of a message through Fr. REDACTED REDACTED asked if I was going to share the results of the psychological evaluation with him when it arrived in two-to-three weeks. I said that would depend on whether Fr. Miller would authorize it. A psychological report is confidential and has to be released by the "patient."

REDACTED said he had been playing with his calculator and that their requested amount was \$250,000 - "\$17 a minute from now until my brother turns 70."

I told him that Fr. Miller and not the Archdiocese was the perpetrator in this case. He was casting the Archdiocese in the role of perpetrator. We did not know that Fr. Miller had molested his brother, until his REDACTED phone call. At that time, we took immediate action to remove him from the situation in which he could be a danger to others.

REDACTED said, "Tough. That's the way it is in the United States. He works for you. You may not be responsible, but you're liable." He gave a deadline of June 27 - at which time he will retain a lawyer and go to the press and media. He said that his mother knows there are other victims. I asked if he realized that he was keeping help from those other victims. He said that was not his concern. He only cares about his family. His only concern was that his brother would be "taken care of" (a recurring theme throughout all of our conversations). He doesn't care if the money comes from Fr. Miller's private funds, from his family and friends or from the Archdiocese.

I told him I had no control over whether he went to the media or not. That was up to him. He said that he either heard from me that the money was ready by June 27 or he was going to the press. He had consulted a lawyer who had told him the case is quite winnable. I asked if he was informing me that he was represented by counsel. He said, "No, but I will be on the 27<sup>th</sup>."

I offered again assistance in obtaining all appropriate therapy for himself, his brother and his mother. As he had each time, he cut me off, saying that they were not interested and would handle it with each other as a loving family. They didn't need or want strangers involved with them.

I said I would be back in touch with him.

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# 10:00 AM - "Emergency Call" to St. John Seminary by REDACTED his mother, REDACTED

<u>and</u>

When I picked up the phone, REDACTED had his mother on the line in a conference call. REDACTED said:

- In 7<sup>th</sup> grade, my son, had to go to psychiatrists and doctors because he was defecating in his pants. Fr. Miller went with us to the psychiatrists, as kind as you please, but he was molesting my son at the same time! This man slept in our home; he was a member of our family. We trusted him.
- When Father was transferred from Guardian Angel, REDACTED told me there were allegations. I wouldn't believe her. REDACTED : said they were true. But others said not. They (the Sisters) gave me articles and literature to help me deal with this. (Religious of Jesus and Mary?)
- He had a key to our beach house. The neighbors told us there were boys there with him all the time. My niece, REDACTED went there at 11:00 PM one night and met a naked boy in the house. Father was there, too. He often had a boy named there with him.
- One time at Guardian Angel, Father took a boy on a trip to Mexico for a week. They came back early. Father made the excuse that the boy was sick, but I don't think that was it. He wouldn't go to church after that.
- Then there was REDACTED; REDACTED is a friend of mine.
- A neighbor heard some boys saying that Father Miller sleeps naked. How would they know?
- He always has boys with him.
- Ask Fr. REDACTED why he wouldn't have anything to do with Fr. Miller. He (Fr. REDACTED) has been a good friend of the family for many years. Or Fr. REDACTED. I think Fr. REDACTED knew that something as going on, too.
- When my son was in confirmation class, after completing the interview with Fr. Miller, Father told me my son was not ready for confirmation. He was molesting my son but he said my son wasn't ready for confirmation! Can you believe it?!
- I couldn't understand why REDACTED would avoid Father Miller. I used to encourage him to go talk to him. At one point, REDACTED, thought about becoming a priest and Father took the two of them and REDACTED on a tour of the seminary. But then REDACTED didn't want to have anything to do with him.
- When I finally found out about this I asked my son, "Why didn't you tell me?" He said, "I couldn't tell you because Fr. Miller was so important to you. I didn't want to hurt your relationship with him."

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Notes on Phone Conversation

Msgr. Loomis

June 8, 1996

# 10:50 AM - with Father REDACTED

George hung around a lot with kids. But I never saw or suspected anything. Some altar boys were around a lot, but I did not suspect anything.

I knew the possibilities from everything we were hearing, but in George's case, I didn't think there were probabilities.

No one ever came to me with complaints or suspicions.



1531 WEST NINTH STREET LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90015-1194

OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

June 11, 1996

Reverend George Miller c/o Santa Clara Church 323 South E Street Oxnard, CA 93030

Dear George:

I am very grateful to you for your letter dated June 1, 1996, and it is extremely healthy for you to express your apologies to everyone who has been hurt in any way because of your own personal actions and conduct.

While it is impossible to change the past, we can certainly change the present and the future in our own lives. You sound extremely open to that entire process, and I am hopeful that the evaluation and treatment program will prove most successful for you and your priestly ministry.

I surely accept your heartfelt apologies, and I want to assure you of my very special prayers as you deal with all of these issues in the coming weeks and months.

Asking the Lord's blessings upon you, and with kindest personal regards, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Cardinal Roger Mahony

cc:

Archbishop of Los Angeles

Monsignor Richard Loomis



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June 13, 1996

#### REDACTED

Archdiocese of Los Angeles 1531 W. 9th St. Los Angeles, CA 90015-3284

Dear REDACTED

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Enclosed is the completed evaluation that we did for the state of the state of the state of June 3, 1996. This information and the documents contained herein are being released in accordance with statutory requirements regarding confidentiality and may not be re-released without the written consent of Father Miller. This report is for your eyes only. St. Michael's keeps these records for five years. If you need access to these records during that time, the proper release of information documentation can be provided by St. Michael's.

I would like to point out that the individual reports which are enclosed were dictated by the evaluators when they finished with their session with George. Sometimes there may appear to be a discrepancy between the individual reports and what took place in the feedback session. The reason for this is that the core team meets just prior to the feedback, puts all of the individual reports together, constructs a profile of the combined reports, and then makes recommendations accordingly.

Should you have any questions or comments concerning the enclosed reports, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Fraternally,

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(Very Rev.) Michael E. Foley, s.P., LCSW, D.Min. Program Director/Clinical Director

**Enclosures** 

cc: Reverend George M. Miller

Reverend Monsignor Richard A. Loomis



# St. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

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June 13, 1996

Reverend George M. Miller Santa Clara Church 323 S. E St. Oxnard, CA 93030

Dear Father Miller:

Enclosed you will find a copy of the final report and individual assessments of your participation in the evaluation program here at St. Michael's.

Should you have any questions, or if we can be of any additional service, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Fraternally,

Michael

(Very Rev.) Michael E. Foley, s.P., LCSW, D.Min. Program Director/Clinical Director

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Reverend Monsignor Richard A. Loomis

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1531 West Ninth Street Los Angeles California 90015-1194

June 17, 1996

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Case Manager
St. Michael Center & Institute
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#### Dear REDACTED

As you know, Father George Miller will be traveling to St. Louis, Missouri at the end of the week. Therefore, his reservations have been made and confirmed as follows:

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 21

Depart LAX @ 12:00 PM -- TWA #150 (non-stop) Arrive in St. Louis Intl. @ 5:30 PM

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 3

Depart St. Louis Intl. @ 11:45 AM -- TWA #37 (non-stop)

Thank you very much for making the necessary arrangements to have someone from the Center meet Father Miller at the baggage claim area.

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Sincerely yours, REDACTED

Administrative Assistant to REDACTED

cc: Father George Miller

# June 21, 1996

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#### St. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

A HEALING PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS

June 24, 1996

#### REDACTED

Archdiocese of Los Angeles 1531 W. 9th St. Los Angeles, CA 90015-3284

Dear REDACTED

entered St. Michael's Community on June 21, 1996.

There is no set length of stay at St. Michael's Community. The program is tailored to meet the needs of each individual. Progress is evaluated regularly at staff meetings and staff makes the decision regarding the discharge date.

When George has been at St. Michael's for approximately four months, a Progress Conference will be scheduled. We will be asking you or a designated representative to attend this important meeting. As the time of discharge approaches, George and the therapeutic staff will develop proposed Aftercare Commitments to help him maintain a program of self care after he leaves St. Michael's. You will be notified of his Discharge Conference, but attendance by you or your representative is less critical than for the Progress Conference.

We would also like to emphasize the importance of our Aftercare Program. This phase lasts for two years. When Father Miller leaves, he will be expected to keep in monthly telephone contact with the Aftercare counselor. There will be four Aftercare Workshops during this two-year period. These will be scheduled at six-month intervals. The entire process will be explained at the Discharge Planning Conference.

During the time that Father Miller is with us he will be expected to participate in the following activities of the program:

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June 24, 1999 Page 2

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We will keep you informed with periodic written reports based upon process notes of various program activities.

The basic cost of treatment (room and board) is one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) per day. A statement will be sent out each month to your office. Enclosed you will find a schedule of the billing process. Reentry workshop expenses are generally limited to actual costs of travel, food or lodging, and a \$250.00 workshop fee.

I will be his case manager and any inquiries, whether by phone or by mail, can be directed to me.

Thank you for the support you are able to offer to Father Miller at this critical time in his life.

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St. Michael's Community

cc: Reverend George M. Miller



**Archdiocese of Los Angeles** 

Office of Vicar for Clergy (213) 251-3284 1531 West Ninth Street Los Angeles California 90015-1194

June 26, 1996

#### REDACTED

### DearREDACTED

I am responding on behalf of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles to our last telephone conversation.

Once again, on behalf of the Archdiocese, we wish to offer appropriate therapy for you and your brother at no cost or expense to either of you. We make this offer as a pastoral outreach to help bring healing to a very painful situation.

Although you have declined our pastoral outreach offer in the past, we hope that you and your brother will reconsider. If you have any interest, please contact me at REDACTED to make the appropriate arrangements. I will be out of town during the next few weeks. However, REDACTED REDACTED who works with me in the Vicar for Clergy Office is aware of our offer of pastoral outreach and will be able to assist you in my absence.

Your demand for \$250,000.00 for your brother cannot be met by the Archdiocese. The responsibility for the conduct in question rests with the individual priest. Your brother needs to make this demand to him.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Reverend Monsignor Richard A. Loomis

Vicar for Clergy



#### St. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

.A HEALING PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS

July 8, 1996

His Eminence Roger Cardinal Mahony, D.D. Archbishop of Los Angeles 1531 W. Ninth Street Los Angeles, CA 90015-3284

#### Dear Cardinal Mahony:

Father George Miller has settled into the residential program at St. Michael's Community. We are grateful for your confidence in St. Michael's by entrusting his care and healing to us.

It is really important to the healing process as well as to Geroge's morale to receive encouragement and expressions of fraternal support from you during his journey at St. Michael's. Please find enclosed a brochure that you might find helpful in this regard.

Throughout George's stay here, if at any time we at St. Michael's can be of any assistance to you, please do not he sitate to write or to phone. In the meantime, know that you both are in our prayers.

Sincerely,

Rev. David J. Paul, S.M.

Director, Institutional Advancement

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#### St. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

A HEALING PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS

July 8, 1996

Rev. Msgr. Richard A. Loomis Office of Vicar for Clergy Archdiocese of Los Angeles 1531 W. Ninth Street Los Angeles, CA 90015-3284

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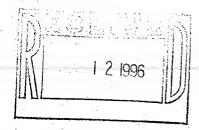
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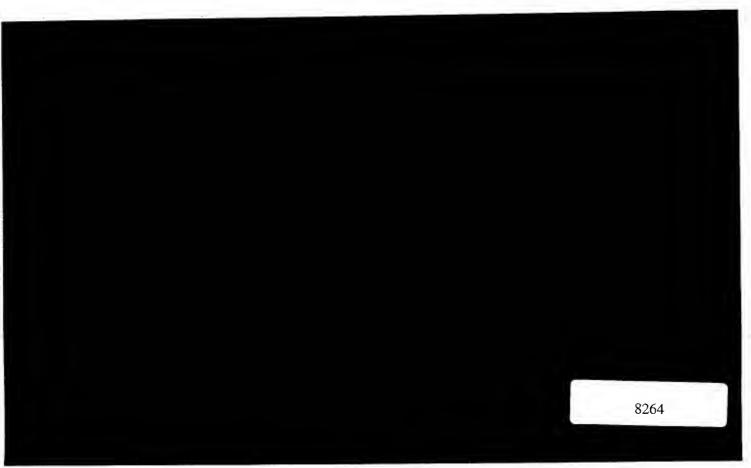
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Dear Father Loomis:

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Thank you. REDACTED



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Thank you for your assistance in this matter.



## St. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

A HEALING PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS

July 31, 1996

#### REDACTED

Archdiocese of Los Angeles 1531 W. 9th St. Los Angeles, CA 90015-3284

Dear REDACTED

I am writing to provide you with a first progress report for Father George M. Miller. Father Miller entered St. Michael's Community Program June 21, 1996.

The information contained herein is being released in accordance with the statutory requirements regarding confidentiality and may not be re-released without the written consent of Father George M. Miller. THIS REPORT IS FOR YOUR EYES ONLY. St. Michael's keeps these records for five years. If you need access to these records during that time, the proper release of information documentation can be provided by St. Michael's.

At this point in time Father Miller is working with the following issues: REDACTED

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July 31, 1996 Page 2

In closing, I ask that you continue to pray for George and all of us here at St. Michael's. If I can provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

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Attachment

cc: Reverend George M. Miller

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ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

I have read this report in its entirety and approve of it being sent. I have made the deletions and editions that I have deemed necessary with the consent of the Director of Spiritual Direction

Reverend George M. Miller

Date

This report has been reviewed with the director of Spiritual Direction and is sent with his approval.

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Date

Director of Spiritual Direction

#### INDIVIDUAL PSYCHOTHERAPY NOTES

St. Michael's Community REDACTED Ph.D.

June 24, 1996

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George said that the reason he was sent to St. Michael's was for an accusation of molesting a ten year old boy. This apparently was fifteen years ago. Discussed the sexual object choice of prepubescent males and adult females. George indicates no sexual activity since 1983. George said he was confronted approximately one month ago regarding sexual activity with a man, approximately twenty-seven, who indicates that he was molested when he was ten years old by George.

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Discussed working with kids in sports and the enjoyment from this. George also discussed sexual attractions with regard to what was healthy and unhealthy. Discussed the sexualization of relationships that would be appropriate and which would be inappropriate.

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George discussed the sexual attractions and how they can tie into other factors. With younger people he discussed the sense of control, his own loneliness, and his own sense of comfort. This would present more difficulty with adults.

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George discussed some aspects of his relationships with minors. He indicates that he felt more comfortable, did not experience as much fear with them, felt more at ease, more able to share and talk to them about their likes and dislikes. Discussed how a relationship can turn inappropriate and how this then involves not the other's needs but one's own.

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#### **REDACTED**

George has felt a strong emotional impact regarding the events which brought him to St. Michael's. He has a sadness that it ever happened. George realizes that he could have a negative attitude asking, "Why was this hand given me and could life be different with different consequences for me?"

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It saddens him that he will not be able to return to the parish. George is grieving at this loss. He again questions himself, "Why did I have to do it?"

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REV. GEORGE MILLER

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#### MEMORANDUM

To: Msgr. R. Loomis

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From: REDACTED

Date: August 26

I conferred with Bishop Curry on the subject of announcing Fr. Miller's message at the chapel, and his recommendation was to announce his desire for continuing on the time he needs for his own health issues, and his wish to end his assignment at Santa Clara Chapel. I feel this is important to coincide with the announcement of Pr. REDACTED appoint ment here. Fr. will be here this Sunday for Mass.

My suggested wording (in first person or third person):

I wish to communicate to you parishioners at Santa Clara Chapel my decision to continue for a further time away, as I address some personal health needs that require my attention. Considering this and the continuing needs of our people. I feel it is best for me to finish my assignment at the Chapel, which for twelve years has been a true home. God bless you, and pray for me.



#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Reverend George Miller

FROM:

Monsignor Richard A. Loomis PAL

DATE:

August 26, 1996

**SUBJECT:** 

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENT

I am sorry to bother you with a matter like this during your treatment. However, another priest is being assigned to Santa Clara Parish and REDACTED feels an announcement needs to be made. I have attached his suggestions to this FAX memo. Could I ask you to review his suggestions and either draft a Statement of your own or make some suggestions as to what should should not be said in any announcement. In the latter case, I will draft an announcement trying to combine suggestions from both of you. Any announcement which might be made will be reviewed both by the Archdiocesan Legal Office and REDACTED your attorney.

Please know that you are in my prayers and I think of you often, and I hope things are going well for you.

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August 28, 1996

To the Parishoners of Santa Clara Chapel:

I wish to communicate to you, the parishoners of Santa Clara Chapel, my decision to continue with further time away, as I address some personal issues that require my attention. Considering this and the continuing needs of the Chapel Community, I feel it is best for me to end my assignment at the Chapel which has for twelve years been a true home. I thank you for the many blessings you have given me and the opportunity I have had working with you to build up the Chapel Community. I know you will continue to grow in your love for God. You are in my daily prayers. God bless you, and please pray for me.



# **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

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FROM:

Monsignor Richard A. Loomis All

DATE:

August 28, 1996

**SUBJECT:** 

REVEREND GEORGE MILLER

Father George Miller has asked that we let you review this Statement prior to its being read at Santa Clara Chapel.

I would appreciate hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

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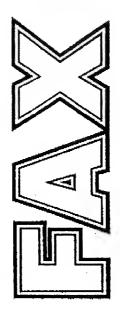
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St. Michael's Community

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# **MEMORANDUM**

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TO:

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FROM:

Monsignor Richard A. Loomis

DATE:

August 30, 1996

**SUBJECT:** 

ATTACHED ANNOUNCEMENT

Attached is the approved announcement to Santa Clara Parish. The word that is crossed-out, is done on purpose at Father Miller's request.

Many thanks for your assistance.

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#### St. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

A HEALING PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS

September 3, 1996

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Archdiocese of Los Angeles Chancery Office 1531 W. 9th St. Los Angeles, CA 90015-1194

#### Dear REDACTED

I am writing to you with reference to Father George M. Miller who entered the program at St. Michael's Community on June 21, 1996.

George's progress conference is scheduled for Friday, October 4, 1996 at 1:15 p.m.

If you would like our driver to meet you at the airport, or if we can make hotel reservations for you, please let REDACTED , our transportation coordinator, know your travel plans. If you have any questions or if I can be of additional service please call me at REDACTED

Respectfully, REDACTED

Case Manager

cc: REDACTED

Reverend George M. Miller

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September 11, 1996

#### **REDACTED**

Archdiocese of Los Angeles 1531 W. 9th St. Los Angeles, CA 90015-1194

 $_{\mathrm{Dear}}$ REDACTED

I am writing to provide you with a second progress report for Father George M. Miller. Father Miller entered St. Michael's Community Program June 21, 1996.

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At this point in time Father Miller is working with the following issues:

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September 11, 1996 Page 2

In closing, I ask that you continue to pray for George and all of us here at St. Michael's. If I can provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

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Case Manager

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ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

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Reverend George M. Miller

This report has been reviewed with the Director of Spiritual Direction and is sent with his approval.

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therapist questioned him about this in light of the fact that his sexual activity has only been with young males. In the course of discussing it, George indicated that he felt the activity at that time was a function, not so much of a sexual attraction, but of other factors. He discussed his reticence, his loneliness, the fact that he felt more at ease, at that time, with children than with female adults, REDACTED

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He seemed to indicate that he

did not think that the boys were a sexual object choice, but that rather adult women were. Also discussed with George his failure to ever deal with this activity and these feelings. REDACTED REDACTED

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#### St. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

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October 2, 1996

#### REDACTED

Archdiocese of Los Angeles Chancery Office 1531 W. 9th St. Los Angeles, CA 90015-1194

DearREDACTED

I am writing to provide you with a third progress report for Father George M. Miller. Father Miller entered St. Michael's Community Program June 21, 1996.

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At this point in time Father Miller is working with the following issues: REDACTED

Reverend Curtis Bryant, S.J., Ph.D. October 3, 1996 Page 2

In closing, I ask that you continue to pray for George and all of us here at St. Michael's. If I can provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

Sincerely REDACTED

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Reverend George M. Miller

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Date

This report has been reviewed with the Director of Spiritual Direction and is sent with his approval.

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September 6, 1996

The issue of control of one's emotions, control of opening up or not opening up to other people, one's vulnerability, and friendships were discussed in this session. Therapist feels that George has difficulty in these areas. He does not seem to think it is the case as much as the therapist does. However, he does agree generally with the therapist's view on this it would seem. Therapist feels it is important for George to open up more and get appropriate help from people. He processes almost all of his feelings by himself. Therapist tried to point out some of the difficulties that can occur in this regard. Therapist has some question as to whether or not George is opening up enough here with the men outside of sessions in order to get the support he needs. He also needs to practice this so that he can continue it when he leaves. Therapist also pointed out to George that his sexual attraction towards young males was something with which he had struggled alone. Therapist pointed out that he did not talk to anyone about this, and thus did not get appropriate help which may, or may not have, dissuaded him from acting inappropriately.

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Discussed sexuality. REDACTED

indicates that he finds them sexually attractive also. The issue of rejection, insecurity, and fear of vulnerability were discussed in this regard. This ties into, quite possibly, the inappropriate activity in which he engaged with male minors.

ART THERAPY
St. Michael's Community
Millie Cargas, A.T.R.

August 13, 1996

Nadine Stair, an eighty-five year old woman, wrote a brief essay about what she would do "if she had her life to live over" she would do many things quite differently; take many more risks and live without so much caution; in fact, she would "pick more daisies." Each person was to capture in art some part (word or phrase) of what he will do in reflection of his own life.

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George talked about his poor self-image and the difficulty he has had to accept himself. He realized that he acted inappropriately and this bothered him and in his own words "haunted"

him. He had lived his life trying to be perfect with no mistakes. At the present time he is more able to see these mistakes in proportion, REDACTED REDACTED

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RE:

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Reverend George M. Miller

#### Dear REDACTED

As a part of our ongoing effort to provide the residents at St. Michael's with valid and useful therapeutic experiences, the staff is once again providing a ten-day wilderness experience. The purpose of this program is to assist our residents in confronting new and challenging experiences, thereby increasing their reliance upon themselves and upon their own ability to cope with life events with greater flexibility. Our experience has demonstrated the value of this kind of adventure for the men in our program.

We are contracting with a group called Adventure Us Learning Alternatives, which is based in Alton, Illinois, to manage and direct this segment of the program. This organization has a history of successful work in this field and is well-equipped to handle our residents. Adventure Us recently met with the residents to discuss the program with them, and the response was positive on the part of our men. The men will be departing St. Michael's on Monday, October 6th and returning on Wednesday, October 16th.

Charges generated by this venture will be absorbed by the program. You will not be billed any additional amount.

We are appreciative of your ongoing support in our work.

Cordially,

Michael

(Very Rev.) Michael E. Foley, s.P., LCSW, D.Min. Program Director/Clinical Director



#### St. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

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October 7, 1996

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# $_{\mathrm{Dear}}$ REDACTED

It was a pleasure seeing you again at Father George Miller's and EDACTED sprogress conferences on October 4, 1996. I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your time in arranging to be present at these important conferences and for the interest you have shown in the progress George and are making at St. Michael's.

If you have any questions at any time or if I can be of additional service please call me at REDACTED

Sincerely, REDACTED

Case Manager

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ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY



## CONFIDENTIAL

## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Cardinal Roger Mahony

From: Monsignor Richard Loomis

Date: Monday, October 28, 1996

Re: Update on Father George Miller

When Father was at Saint Michael's for another priest's progress report, he also met with Father Miller and his therapist.

Father Miller is doing well in the program. However, Father REDACTED comment was that "he is going to be there a long time."

Because of his ethnic background (Hispanic and Native American), he is evidently slow to disclose. Though we do not have names, there has been disclosure at this time of some eight victims. Father says there are no more than that.

Independently, REDACTEDREDACTED called on Friday to tell me that a reporter from the Daily News was trying to reach Father Miller. He said he was doing an article on golfing. Father is a golfer and it might be no more than that.

I will keep you posted.

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## St. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

A HEALING PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS

November 6, 1996

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Archdiocese of Los Angeles Chancery Office 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010

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I am writing to provide you with a fourth progress report for Father George M. Miller. Father Miller entered St. Michael's Community Program June 21, 1996.

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At this point in time Father Miller is working with the following issues:

1. Focusing on the presenting issue of molestation REDACTED REDACTED George is doing some excellent work in this area.

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In closing, I ask that you continue to pray for George and all of us here at St. Michael's. If I can provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

Sincerely. REDACTED

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cc: Reverend George M. Miller

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I have read this report in its entirety and approve of it being sent. I have made the deletions and editions that I have deemed necessary with the consent of the Director of Spiritual Direction.

Reverend George M. Miller

Date

This report has been reviewed with the Director of Spiritual Direction and is sent with his approval.

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The discussion of his future led to the allegations that brought him here. The consequences of the molestation were discussed. There are a number of issues with regard to the molestation that have been discussed and need further examination: the consequences, George's sexual preferences, George's emotional life at that time, George's interpersonal life, his tendency to be emotionally isolated, the lack of fulfillment in this regard, the lack of trust with reference to opening up to other people, the difficulty this caused in terms of dealing with his sexual preferences, the attractions to the children sexually and in other ways, the type of satisfaction and pleasure he was getting in his interactions with kids as distinguished or in preference to that with adults at the time, and the shame and remorse that he experiences in terms of these issues. George also touched upon his own molestation when he was a child in this session. George discussed the shame and the secrecy around this activity, relating it to his molestation of children, as well as the secrecy involved in both. In both cases he was unable to go to anyone and talk to them about it. In neither case was there resolution or any healthy way of fighting a way out of this as he saw it.

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Therapist discussed George's molestation of children in this session. George indicated that he did feel remorse for what he had done and how he may have affected the children. remorse seemed sincere. He also discussed how he was taking care of his own emotional needs and using the kids to satisfy his own needs to their detriment. He then discussed coaching the kids, how he enjoyed this considerably, how he felt comfortable with the kids and how this was emotionally fulfilling for him. The enjoyment George experienced coaching the kids and interacting with them was apparent as, when he talked about it, the memories seemed to evoke very positive feelings. He then discussed how he had lost his grandfather, as well as not knowing his biological father, how he thinks that part of his interaction with the kids was, in a sense, fathering them, and trying to do for them what he lacked in his life as a child. George then connected this to a sense of being able to relate better emotionally with the kids than he could with adults; although he had some interaction with adults. This would direct him more in the direction of the children to satisfy various needs. As a consequence also of his lack of interaction with adults in a full social and recreational life this served to restrict his emotional development even more. The interactions with the kids was one wherein he felt in control and he felt safe. Discussed his own stunted sexual growth and a kind of fixation in that earlier prepubescent time.

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REDACTED Therapist pointed out how this led to George not getting many of his emotional, social, and recreational needs met in appropriate ways with other adults. Pointed out how this increased whatever emotional void he felt in his life. Pointed out how this made him more susceptible to using children to fulfill his needs and how this became sexual in nature. George has indicated on a number of occasions how he has enjoyed working with children and how he feels at ease. There is also the issue of feeling the sense of control and much less anxiety around children.

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did not have much of a social or recreational life. There was a considerable void emotionally and personally in his life, in addition to the stress. He got along with children very well and coached some of the childrens' teams. George felt very comfortable with young boys and indicated that they felt comfortable with him. He took them to a seaside home of a friend of

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his. George suggested that he give them a massage and that they take their swimming trunks off as part of this. He would give them a massage over the entire body. He indicated that he would run his hands rapidly over the genitals, and was somewhat less clear as to whether or not there was any fondling. Upon more questioning, he indicated there may have been with some of them. George indicated it was very brief. He did not have the children touch him, George engaging in masturbatory activity during the massage. He said the children did not see him as he was covered up by a towel and they were facing the other way. REDACTED

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Seorge said that, as he looks at the situation more and more, he sees that this was some type of compensatory behavior for the other stresses and voids in his life. He said that he was able to relate to the children easily, that they trusted him, that he felt in control, and that this was a way of relieving some of the anxiety and stress he was experiencing.

George also discussed the fact that children have been a sexual object for him for a long time. He said that it was something that he began to notice in high school. There were sexual fantasies for some years around children as sexual partners. George indicates that this is much less the case at this point in his life.



## St. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

A HEALING PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS

December 11, 1996

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Archdiocese of Los Angeles Chancery Office 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010

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I am writing to provide you with a fifth progress report for Father George M. Miller. Father Miller entered St. Michael's Community Program June 21, 1996.

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At this point in time Father Miller is working with the following issues:

1. Opening up more in his discussions with therapist about the presenting issue of sexual molestation.

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In closing, I ask that you continue to pray for George and all of us here at St. Michael's. If I can provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

Sincerely, REDACTED

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Reverend George M. Miller cc:

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ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

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Reverend George M. Miller

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George discussed the series of events surrounding the accusations of child molestation. He went into some detail as to how this information reached the Bishop and then him. George discussed the anxiety, shame, fear and remorse that he experienced at that time. It was an extremely difficult period. He also had considerable fear for his future at that time. Therapist also probed the issue of remorse for the actions and its effects on the children at the time and as they grew older. George, as he talks of this, does seem to express sincere remorse around the issues. He said this concern for the impact he was having on them is one of the reasons he discontinued the activity for the last twelve years. Therapist also discussed with George how difficult it was for him to open up at first. Therapist, at that time, felt George was somewhat defensive and closed. However, George continues to open up in his therapy sessions. The issues of the impact this had on the people in question, the impact upon him, and the impact on other people were discussed. George seems to have a good sense of this. As George opens up around the events and their details, it is still difficult for him, but he recognizes the need to do this. The issues of the various factors that went into these actions will be continued to be discussed in detail. George must have a sense not only of the impact this has upon other people, but the various factors that led to the behavior. He agrees with this.

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that he began to become more and more lonely. He said that his activity with the children, especially the unhealthy activity, played into this. George feels strongly that the inappropriate sexual activity with the children was in good part a function of not dealing with other facets of his life in a psychologically healthy manner. This is not to deny that young males, prepubescent, are a sexual object choice for him. He has become more and more open around recognizing and admitting this.

November 18, 1996

George discussed the second parish in which he engaged in inappropriate sexual activity with the prepubescent males. There was some confusion in the first part of the session as to which assignment this was. Therapist was able to clarify it; it being the fourth assignment. There was also some confusion as to whether there were three or four children involved. This involved the fact that George said he gave a massage to one of the children while he was nude and did not touch him genitally. As therapist probed it became apparent that he also touched his buttock, although not his genitals. He said the boy laid on his stomach during this time. However, therapist pointed out that touching his buttocks is inappropriate, as well as giving a nude massage was inappropriate. There is also the question as to whether or not giving a massage to a prepubescent boy is in itself inappropriate. George agreed that this was the case. Thus it became clear that this was one of the kids that George included in the four boys he said he had molested.

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He also said that there were difficulties in the parish in terms of the work he had to do, doing everything himself and the lack of relationships (close) in his life. George feels that this inappropriate activity served as a pathological emotional release for him, one that got sexualized in nature. REDACTED REDACTED

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January 27, 1997

## **REDACTED**

Archdiocese of Los Angeles Chancery Office 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010

 $_{\text{Dear}}$ REDACTED

I am writing to provide you with a sixth progress report for Father George M. Miller. Father Miller entered St. Michael's Community Program June 21, 1996.

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At this point in time Father Miller is working with the following issues:

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In closing, I ask that you continue to pray for George and all of us here at St. Michael's. If I can provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

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Reverend George M. Miller

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REDACTED Therapist's point in exploring this was to discern whether or not George is getting overly distracted with the psychologist's or psychological point of view or perspective as to ideology and minimizing the consequences of the molestation. The issue of how it affects the other person, the pain, and ongoing suffering, the scandal in its implications, etc. are the what, the consequences, and therapist wanted George to be fully cognizant of what goes on here. As the session went on, George indicated that he had not meant to dismiss this or not give it enough importance. He was probably attempting to view it in terms of trying to understand those factors that led to his own inappropriate behavior. George indicated that, himself having gone through the pain REDACTED he does understand its consequences. The issue of whether or not the act itself is socially or culturally wrong versus inherently wrong was also discussed in this session. REDACTED

#### December 9, 1996

George discussed a certain aspect of not having control in his life. He did this as he felt it was one of a number of factors related to engaging in inappropriate sexual behavior. It had to do with a sense of restrictions put upon him, not only by various factors in life outside of himself, but that he put on himself. He discussed wanting to be a Maryknoll priest at one time and not doing so because he would not be here to take care of his mother. He then discussed having considered being a Navy chaplain and then disconsidered it as he would not be here to help his mother. He discussed how much of his life was influenced by the need to take care of his mother. He also discussed how he attempted in the seminary and in other parts of his life not to break the rules. He described someone who tried to be a good boy and did what was expected of him. He felt this constriction worked emotionally on him too. He then discussed his enjoyment of working with the kids in athletic events. He said this was something he enjoyed considerably before he ever got involved sexually. He said he felt more in control in his life, while at the same time much freer. He feels that this is part of the reasons why he got into the inappropriate activity. It is also partly why he got involved in working with kids. Part of that had to do also with the sense of wanting to do something for kids that was not done for him. He said he was able to father them and help them grow in a way he did not receive when he was young. He felt that this activity was reasonably healthy until the sexual component came into play.

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said this made, for him, kids safer. This was true both in a sense psychologically and sexually for him. George is attempting to discern all the factors that led to the path of engaging in inappropriate sexual activity with the kids. He is doing this from a psycho-dynamic long-term perspective, from more immediate psychological events and reactions, and in terms of how a pattern came to be established and upon which he acted on a number of occasions.

December 16, 1996

The initial part of the session dealt with how George related to the youth in his parishes. This in particular was in reference to how he manipulated some of these youths into sexual activity. George is quite open about this and feels remorseful about what he did. He has no question as to the responsibility that he bears in this regard. George's loneliness during these periods and how he was not adequately getting needs met with reference to intimacy, touch, openness, and sexuality were discussed. George feels these factors were significant in the choices he made. REDACTED

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Therapist and George again discussed the difficulties he had in the various aspects of his emotional life over the years. This led to him isolating in important ways emotionally and interpersonally. This would seem to have played, not the only part, but a significant part in George's inappropriate sexual activity with the youths. George certainly has opened up in therapy emotionally and will discuss things that are difficult and important to him. He does this not only from an intellectual perspective but also gets emotionally engaged. He continues to progress in this area.

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to George that he needs to continue examining these incidents in detail in terms of his emotional life at that time and the situational factors involved also (which he has done to a good extent up to this point), but that he also needs to look more particularly at how this was affecting him at the particular moments prior to the sexual activity. Therapist stressed that this needs to be looked at in terms of the initial event again, the ensuing ones in the one parish, and then the four incidents in his second to last assignment. REDACTED

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He needs to examine these in as specific detail as he can and be able to achieve a comfort examining and discussing it such that he does not avoid dealing with it in discussion with others or when he is by himself. This is important in terms of the cues and stimuli that are significant in this regard. George seemed quite willing to do this again. Therapist also pointed out that this is something which he has to continually and keenly be aware of.

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The issue of molestation caused George a great deal of inner agony. His sense of guilt with the attendant fear and anxiety caused him to become indecisive and unsure of himself. Most of this fear and anxiety came from his own feelings, "what had gone on, how do I talk about it, and what would that do to me?" REDACTED

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ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY



## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Cardinal Roger Mahony

From: Monsignor Richard Loomis

Date: Monday, February 10, 1997

Re: Father George Miller

Father Miller is nearing the end of his treatment. We have consistently said that he will not be readmitted to ministry here because of his situation and history. There are an unknown number of possible victims that might come forward at any time.

However, Saint Michael's is willing to allow him to be in residence with them while he takes a Clinical Pastoral Education course. They think that he might be able to continue in ministry in a supervised situation like a hospital chaplain position. They do not believe he is a danger as long as he stays in recovery and is supervised.

REDACTED agrees that we should give him the opportunity to work in the CPE course.

My opinion is that we need to assure that there will be an assignment somewhere when Father finishes the program. This means finding a diocese that will be willing to assign and incardinate him before he finishes the program.

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## St. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

A HEALING PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS

February 25, 1997

### **REDACTED**

Archdiocese of Los Angeles Chancery Office 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010

## Dear REDACTED

I am writing to provide you with a seventh progress report for Father George M. Miller. Father Miller entered St. Michael's Community Program June 21, 1996.

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2. Discussing with his therapist his sexual orientation, sexual object choices, and his being shy throughout his life. Now George is appreciating therapy and the opportunity to discuss the important issues in his life.

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February 25, 1997 Page 2

In closing, I ask that you continue to pray for George and all of us here at St. Michael's. If I can provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

Sincerely, REDACTED

Case Manager

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cc: Reverend George M. Miller

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Reverend George M. Miller

Date

This report has been reviewed with the Director of Spiritual Direction and is sent with his approval.

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Director of Spiritual Direction

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George discussed the sexual activity with some of the youths in one of his assignments. He discussed taking them out to the house on the ocean. He talked about how they would go swimming and how he ask them to take off their trunks and then he would a massage of them. He discussed in some detail touching two of them genitally when massaging them. The others he messaged over the enter body, but no the genitals. He indicated the fondling involved. He also indicated that he attempted to masturbate without them seeing him and did not have them touch him. George acknowledges how inappropriate this was and how this could harm the people in question considerably over a long period of time. REDACTED

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George talked about the pressures of the parish life and how the kids became a distraction from this. There is also the issue of George feeling in control and relaxed and sexualizing these relationships in a way that is obviously inappropriate.

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George and therapist discussed sexual orientation. George feels that he is much less sexually attracted to young males and has connected this to some of the sexual activity that was visited upon him at that same age by all the kids. He felt it evidenced itself in light of a number of other factors in his life. He has discussed these other factors in previous sessions in depth. He indicates he is not attracted sexually to adult males. Therapist stressed the importance of George knowing what his sexual object choices are. REDACTED

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He does acknowledge some attraction (although he says this is, at best, minimal at this time in his life) to prepubescent boys and adult women.

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REDACTED George also talked about not having his social, physical, emotional, tactile, and sexual needs met during his life. He discussed his sense of security, and the sense of being free from distraction and stress when with kids, and how this played a part in sexualizing his relationships with them.

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**Archdiocese of Los Angeles** 

Office of Vicar for Clergy (213) 637-7284 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles California 90010-2241

March 3, 1997

Reverend George Miller 13270 Maple Drive Saint Louis, MO 63127-1999

Dear George,

The last few months have held some momentous changes for all of us. The recent changes in the child abuse reporting law and the statute of limitations here in California have changed the way we have to look at many things in our personnel policies. I know that one thing these changes have meant is that we had to send you a message that you would not be able to return to priestly ministry here in Los Angeles. That was a very hard thing for us to say, especially since we have heard that your participation in treatment has been so excellent. I also know that it was an extremely hard thing for you to hear.

In light of that, I want to reassure you that the Archdiocese is still very desirous and willing to be of support and help to you. I also want to remind you that your vested interest in the Priests Pension Plan is secure. You can begin to collect pension benefits, regardless of your state of life, at age 70. Until that time, we will certainly be of whatever reasonable financial assistance we can. Whether you choose to return to Southern California or to live elsewhere, we will be open to assisting you in your transition from treatment. If you choose to try to seek a benevolent bishop (realizing that he will have to know your story to make an informed decision), to take the CPE course recommended by Saint Michael's, to seek some other employment or to look into some other option, we will cooperate in so far as we are able.

We fully understand that at sixty years of age, the concept of starting a new profession is a truly daunting challenge – one I really wish you did not have to face. Even so, some gainful employment is an important part of every person's life. A significant part of each person's dignity is the knowledge of contributing to his own support.

Please know that your welfare is very important to us. At the same time, we have to take into account the good of the entire Archdiocese as well.

I look forward to hearing from you as you complete treatment and make important decisions about your future. I will do all I can to be of help during this time of transition. You have been and will continue to be in my prayers each day.

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Reverend Monsignor Richard A. Loomis

Vicar for Clergy

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## ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

... A HEALING PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS March 24, 1997

## **REDACTED**

Archdiocese of Los Angeles Chancery Office 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010

<sub>Dear</sub> REDACTED

I am writing to provide you with a eight progress report for Father George M. Miller. Father Miller entered St. Michael's Community Program June 21, 1996.

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At this point in time Father Miller is working with the following issues:

1. Finding out that he will not be returned to active ministry. REDACTED

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March 24, 1997

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In closing, I ask that you continue to pray for George and all of us here at St. Michael's. If I can provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

Sincerely. REDACTED

Case Manager

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Reverend George M. Miller

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This report has been reviewed with the Director of Spiritual Direction and is sent with his approval.

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Director of Spiritual Direction

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The major issue in this session dealt with George being told by his case manager that the diocese was not going to allow him to practice ministry. He said that he was also informed that he

would be asked to live outside the state of California. From what George related, this had something to do with a change in the law regarding statutes of limitations. The issue of how vulnerable George would be in this regard was the issue. The mandated reporting of someone who engages sexually with a minor apparently was a part of this law. REDACTED REDACTED

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George is looking at possibilities in a pastoral assignment. He feels he would feel comfortable acting as a jail chaplain. As well he would feel at home with both Marriage Encounter and Engagement Encounter. He has had experience in both. He said that he enjoyed preparing people for marriage. George would also be open to being a hospital chaplain.

George said he would like to be able to stay in the area of his present parish. He has many friends and supportive people there. He feels they would have an interest in him and would be of help to him. He also has enjoyed playing golf in that area.

George is open to being in counseling for his aftercare. He also would like to belong to a group of priests who could interact.

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George received news this week that he will not receive an appointment for ministry in the archdiocese of Los Angeles. As well he was told that he would not be involved in support for retirement. He was asked to leave the diocese. REDACTED

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#### **REDACTED**

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Dear REDACTED

I am writing to you with reference to Father George M. Miller who entered the program at St. Michael's Community on June 21, 1996. I am including a pre-discharge summary and his proposed Aftercare Commitments. If you have any concerns, questions, or wish to discuss the proposed commitments prior to the meeting, please contact me at (314) 965-0860.

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George's discharge planning conference is scheduled for Tuesday, April 1, 1997 at 1:00 p.m.

#### PRE-DISCHARGE SUMMARY

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1. <u>Presenting Problem:</u>

The presenting problems for George were allegations of sexual abuse of minors.

2. Course of Treatment and Progress:

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provides participants with tools to help them live a healthier lifestyle, the completion of this phase of the program is best viewed as a process rather than an event. The two-year Aftercare Program exists to reinforce what was learned during their stay at St. Michael's Community.

George has outlined a proposed aftercare plan to assist him in maintaining the therapeutic gains he has made here at St. Michael's Community.

#### 3. <u>Future Residence/Ministry</u>:

#### PROPOSED AFTERCARE COMMITMENTS

- 1. Agree to abide by the policies and procedures of the archdiocese in which he will be working.
- 2. Avoid all one-to-one unsupervised contact with minors and adolescents; agree to have no physical contact with minors or adolescents other than a handshake.
- 3. Continue therapy with a professional therapist. George would profit from working on the following issues: sexual molestation of preadolescents, sexual orientation and desires, guilt, shame related to his molestation of minors, feelings consequent to his being molested in early adolescence, trust and vulnerability in intimate relationships, continuing to open up when appropriate, feelings related to familial issues, loss of priesthood, adjustment to life outside of priesthood.

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- 4. He will benefit from continuing with spiritual direction to help him bridge the transition from diocesan to secular life. It also is important for George to find a stable support group to avoid feeling isolated.
- 5. Continue with forty-five minutes to one hour of regular exercise three days per week such as walking, playing golf, etc.
  - 6. Explore career possibilities, identify job interest, and participate in an appropriate job retooling program.
  - 7. Contact REDACTED

once a month, for the next six months.

8. Return to St. Michael's for an Aftercare Workshop approximately every six months after discharge for the next two years (total of four).

I do hope that this information will be helpful for you. If you would like anything further from St. Michael's Community regarding George, please contact me at your convenience.

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Case Manager

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Reverend George M. Miller

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Approved by:

(Very Rev.) Michael E. Foley (\$P., LCSW, D.Min.

Program Director/Clinical Director



# ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY ... A HEALING PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS

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#### REDACTED

Archdiocese of Los Angeles Chancery Office 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, California 90010

#### Dear REDACTED

It was good to see you again at Father George Miller's discharge conference on April 1, 1997 despite the difficulty of the meeting. Clearly, George will benefit from looking at career possibilities prior to his departure from St. Michael's, and hopefully in the process, glean a clearer discernment of his options with regard to his future work.

If you have any questions or suggestions at any time or if I can be of additional service please call me at REDACTED

Sincerely, REDACTED

Case Manager

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... A HEALING PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS

April 22, 1997

#### REDACTED

Archdiocese of Los Angeles Chancery Office 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010

#### Dear REDACTED

I am writing to provide you with a ninth progress report for Father George M. Miller. Father Miller entered St. Michael's Community Program June 21, 1996.

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- 2. Participating in the progress conference; feeling shame and guilt regarding his molestation of minors; discussing the changes George must make with regard to his interaction with minors.
- 3. Being encouraged to stay clear on his responsibility regarding the consequences of the molestations.

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April 22, 1997

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In closing, I ask that you continue to pray for George and all of us here at St. Michael's. If I can provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

Sincerely, REDACTED

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Attachment

Reverend George M. Miller cc:

I have read this report in its entirety and approve of it being sent. I have made the deletions and editions that I have deemed necessary with the consent of the Director of Spiritual Direction.

This report has been reviewed with the Director of Spiritual Direction and is sent with his approval.

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Therapist discussed with George his part and responsibility as to the consequences resulting from the molestation of the children. George is quite clear that this is all a part of it. This is something he needs to stay clear on. If he does not, he will see himself more as a victim and this will complicate his adjustment to his new life.

March 25, 1997

Therapist telephoned REDACTED today. Therapist called because George indicated he was unclear as to certain arrangements with the diocese when he leaves. The gist of the conversation was as follows:

- 1) George will not be able to function as a priest;
- Where George chooses to reside is his choice (the concern about George not returning to California was initiated by his lawyer);
- 3) The diocese will provide financial support for George to re-tool occupationally;
- 4) George will "not be left wanting" financially in that the diocese will provide for him financially to the extent that he cannot do so himself;
- The diocese thinks it would be appropriate for George to work, not only to provide for himself financially, but also because it would be healthy psychologically;
- 6) George will receive a retirement pension beginning at the age of 70.

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The issue of what George will do occupationally when he leaves St. Michael's was discussed. Therapist tried to clarify in as clear detail as possible the restrictions around minors that would be part of George's progress and recovery when he leaves St. Michael's. This clarification is something that may need to be reinforced at various times in case George has any questions and around any particulars in the future, including after he leaves St. Michael's. The basic aspect of this certainly is that George will not be able to work with minors and there will be restrictions on how he interacts with minors in terms of being able to be with them not in the presence of other adults.

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George discussed the shame and guilt he is experiencing because of his inappropriate behavior with children. He indicated that this is one of the reasons it is still difficult for him to discuss this topic and the things related to it. He also said that he feels considerable shame and guilt regarding the parents of these children, other parishioners, and the diocese -- all of whom he feels he has let down.

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**Archdiocese of Los Angeles** 

Office of Vicar for Clergy (213) 637-7284

Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles California 90010-2241

To: Cardinal Roger Mahony

From: Monsignor Richard Loomis

Date: Thursday, May 15, 1997

Re: Father George Miller

We are very near to the time for Father Miller's discharge from St. Michael's. He has still not clarified for us what his plans are. I am hopeful a letter from me will be helpful in that regard. At different times, Father Miller and I have discussed three options on the telephone:

- 1. That he would attend the CPE training program in St. Louis and continue to reside at St. Michael's. (We previously agreed to pay tuition for the CPE program.)
- 2. That he would seek a benevolent bishop, possibly in Mexico (he has raised this option; we have not)
- 3. That he would return to his trailer home in California and begin a secular life which would not involve ministry

We have clearly stated that if the second option is his choice, any bishop considering his application would have to know his story. The requirement that acceptance would have to include immediate incardination in the new diocese has been made clear. (If active in ministry, he could begin receiving retirement benefits at age 65 with your permission.)

If the third option is his choice, wherever he might choose to live, we have advised somewhere that would minimize potential contact with those involved in his situation. We have recommended that he consult with his attorney and discuss any possible legal ramifications of returning to California as thoroughly as possible. In this case, we need to advise him of what help the Archdiocese would be willing to give him. Father has 33 years of active service and is 59 years old. I would suggest:

- a) the gift of a serviceable used car;
- b) the maintenance of the RETA health insurance until COBRA is required;
- c) \$1,000 a month assistance for 30 months. longer than usual d) For his own benefit, we have stated that it would be very necessary for him to find employment.

His vested retirement benefits are, of course, intact. If "inactive," he can begin receiving them at age seventy.

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**Archdiocese of Los Angeles** 

3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles Callfornia 90010-2241

May 16, 1997

Reverend George Miller c/o St. Michael Center & Institute 13270 Maple Drive St. Louis, MO 63127-0882

#### Dear Father Miller:

We are very near to the time for your discharge from St. Michael's, and there has been some concern over the direction of your life following treatment. In spite of our telephone conversations, we have been told that the Archdiocese has not been clear enough in detailing the support it would be willing to give in your transition from treatment at Saint Michael's to secular life. I hope this letter will be helpful in that regard.

At different times, we have discussed three options on the telephone:

- 1. That you would attend the CPE training program in St. Louis and continue to reside at St. Michael's. REDACTED has agreed to pay tuition for the CPE program,
- 2. That you would seek a benevolent bishop (you have told me that you are considering this option),
- 3. That you would return to your trailer home in California and begin a secular life which would not involve ministry.

If the second option is your choice, please understand that any bishop considering your application would have to know your story. The Archdiocese would have to be honest and open, including stating that we are not open to your return to ministry in the Los Angeles Archdiocese. A requirement REDACTED has made is that your acceptance for active ministry in another diocese would have to include immediate incardination into the new diocese. Also, I do ask that you keep in mind any legal particulars if you choose to approach any bishop about this possibility. Of course, if a bishop accepts you for ministry, all salary and benefits would be assumed by the new diocese.

If the third option is your choice, we strongly recommend that you consult with your attorney and discuss any possible legal ramifications of returning to California as

thoroughly as possible. Wherever you might choose to live, we would advise somewhere that would minimize your potential contact with those involved in your situation.

The Archdiocese would be willing to assist you in this transition into a secular way of life by:

- a) the gift of a serviceable used car;
- b) the maintenance of the RETA health insurance until COBRA is required;
- c) \$1,000 a month for the first year as an aid for your support (at the end of that time we can assess together if further assistance should be continued based on your situation).

For your own benefit, we do still feel that it would be very necessary for you to find employment. Your vested retirement benefits are, of course, intact and you will be able to begin receiving them at age seventy.

If at some point in the future you would desire to begin a process for laicization, the Archdiocesan canonical advisors would be able to assist you in the process.

I hope the specific statement of options will assist you in coming to a decision about your course of action after discharge. If you have questions or wish to discuss anything in this letter, please feel free to write me or give a call.

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... A HEALING PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS

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BY:

#### **REDACTED**

Archdiocese of Los Angeles Chancery Office 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010

#### **Dear REDACTED**

I am writing to provide you with a tenth progress report for Father George M. Miller. Father Miller entered St. Michael's Community Program June 21, 1996.

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At this point in time Father Miller is working with the following issues:

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I am attaching progress notes from staff persons who have worked directly with George. In these notes you will find detailed descriptions of his involvement in various aspects of several program activities.

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May 20, 1997

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In closing, I ask that you continue to pray for George and all of us here at St. Michael's. If I can provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

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Case Manager

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cc: Reverend George M. Miller

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I have read this report in its entirety and approve of it being sent. I have made the deletions and editions that I have deemed necessary with the consent of the Director of Spiritual Direction.

Reverend George M. Miller

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Date

This report has been reviewed with the Director of Spiritual Direction and is sent with his approval.

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Director of Spiritual Direction

# INDIVIDUAL PSYCHOTHERAPY NOTES St. Michael's Community Timothy McAuliffe, Ph.D.

April 14, 1997

George discussed plans of investigating whether or not he might find ministry in Mexico. He indicated that he wanted to talk to his lawyer about this possibility and see if there might be any legal problems or complications in this regard. When asked what type of ministry he would do, George said that he would do whatever type of ministry the bishop felt was appropriate, including working in a parish. Therapist confronted George on this in that George, the therapist felt, was not taking into account the various difficulties involved if he were to be put in a position where he might have contact with minors. The issue of whether or not people trusted him came up. The therapist responded that George had lost the right to be trusted in light of his history and that he must learn to deal with this. George needs to come to terms with this.

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April 18, 1997

Therapist confronted George because he felt George was not dealing with his future realistically. This pertains to the type of work George would be doing. Therapist feels George is clinging to doing some type of ministry which it is unlikely he will get. Therapist also confronted George again on the fact that he cannot work with minors. George was very frustrated. This was a very difficult session for him. George pointed out that he had not done anything inappropriate with minors for the last fourteen years. George feels that this effort on his part has not been appreciated. REDACTED

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George feels he has grown considerably in this regard. He also feels he has learned to discern his feelings and to deal with them in a more appropriate way. He feels this is something which he needs to continue to do. He felt that this was a factor that led to the inappropriate sexual behavior. He is not talking here so much in terms of sexual attraction, but learning how to handle those attractions, being open to people, and working through difficulties that would have lessened the stress in his life.

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RE: Reverend George M. Miller

#### Dear REDACTED

As a part of our ongoing effort to provide the residents at St. Michael's with valid and useful therapeutic experiences, a new wilderness experience is being introduced, **SpiritQuest**. The purpose of this program is to assist our residents in confronting new and challenging experiences, thereby increasing their reliance upon themselves and upon their own ability to cope with life events with greater flexibility. Our experience has demonstrated the value of this kind of adventure for the men in our program. **SpiritQuest** is designed to be an ongoing experiential program with an initial five day large group wilderness experience followed by small group weekend excursions, weather and temperature permitting.

SpiritQuest has been developed and will be led by staff member, REDACTED , who is part of St. Michael's clinical team. REDACTED recently met with the residents to discuss the program with them and received a positive response. The men will be departing St. Michael's on Monday, June 2 and returning on Friday, June 6.

Charges generated by this venture will be absorbed by the program. You will not be billed any additional amount.

We are appreciative of your ongoing support in our work.

Cordially,

(Very Rev.) Michael E. Foley, s.P., L.C.S.W., D.Min.

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#### **REDACTED**

Archdiocese of Los Angeles Chancery Office 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, California 90010

Dear REDACTED

I am writing to you with reference to Father George M. Miller who entered the program at St. Michael's Community on May 19, 1997. I am including a pre-discharge summary and his proposed Aftercare Commitments. If you have any concerns, questions, or wish to discuss the proposed commitments prior to the meeting, please contact me at REDACTED

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George's discharge planning conference is scheduled for Friday, June 27, 1997 at 10:15 a.m.

#### PRE-DISCHARGE SUMMARY

#### Presenting Problem:

The presenting problems for George were allegations of sexual abuse of minors.

#### 2. Course of Treatment and Progress:

George entered St. Michael's Community on June 21, 1996 and began a comprehensive program of group and individual therapy, art therapy, guided meditation, psychodrama, skills training, sexuality classes and groups, spirituality classes, exercise and education

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participate more fully in the program and gain a deeper understanding of himself and the issues related to his sexuality, sexual molestation, shame, trust and vulnerability, intimacy, relationships and family of origin. Because the program at St. Michael's provides participants with tools to help them live a healthier lifestyle, the completion of this phase of the program is best viewed as a process rather than an event. The two-year Aftercare Program exists to reinforce what George learned during his participation in the residential program at St. Michael's Community.

George has outlined a proposed aftercare plan to assist him in maintaining the therapeutic gains he has made here at St. Michael's Community.

#### 3. Future Residence/Ministry:

It is George's intention to return to his home in California and determine which options are most viable for his life outside of ministry.

#### PROPOSED AFTERCARE COMMITMENTS

- It is understood that George will not be returned to active ministry in the Diocese
  of Los Angeles. If George locates a diocese in which to incardinate, he agrees
  to abide by the policies and procedures of that diocese. Wherever George
  chooses to live, it is recommended that the question of a monitoring process be
  addressed.
- 2. He agrees to avoid all one-to-one unsupervised contact with minors and adolescents; agrees to have no physical contact with minors or adolescents other than a handshake.
- 3. It is recommended that George continue therapy with a professional therapist. Issues that continue to need to be addressed include:

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- 4. He will benefit from continuing with spiritual direction to help him during his transition back to California as he makes decisions about his future. It also is important for George to find a stable support group to avoid feeling isolated and to develop healthy adult relationships in a supportive environment.
- 5. Continue with thirty to forty-five minutes of regular exercise at least three days per week such as walking or playing golf. For walking, the intensity should be brisk with warm up and warm down. George has an excellent strength/calisthenic program and if possible, it would be good for him to keep up his strength training. He should drink no less than eight 8 oz. cups of water per day; a high fiber, low fat diet is recommended.
- 6. It will be important for George to continue exploring career possibilities, identify job possibilities, and participate in an appropriate job retooling program.
- 7. Contact REDACTED , once a month, for the next six months.
- 8. Return to St. Michael's for an Aftercare Workshop approximately every six months after discharge for the next two years (total of four).

I do hope that this information will be helpful for you. If you would like anything further from St. Michael's Community regarding George, please contact me at your convenience.

Respectfully. REDACTED

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Reverend George M. Miller

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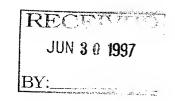
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## ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

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The Servants of the Paraclete ... Fifty Years of Ministry to Priests and Brothers 1947 -- 1997



June 25, 1997

Reverend Msgr. Richard A. Loomis Office of Vicar for Clergy Archdiocese of Los Angeles 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, California 90010

#### Dear REDACTED

I am writing to you with reference to Father George M. Miller who entered the program at St. Michael's Community on May 19, 1997. I am including a pre-discharge summary and his proposed Aftercare Commitments. If you have any concerns, questions, or wish to discuss the proposed commitments prior to the meeting, please contact me at REDACTED

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George's discharge planning conference is scheduled for Friday, June 27, 1997 at 10:15 a.m.

#### PRE-DISCHARGE SUMMARY

#### 1. Presenting Problem:

The presenting problems for George were allegations of sexual abuse of minors.

#### 2. Course of Treatment and Progress:

George entered St. Michael's Community on June 21, 1996 and began a comprehensive program of group and individual therapy, art therapy, guided meditation, psychodrama, skills training, sexuality classes and groups, spirituality classes, exercise and education to gain insight and understanding concerning the issues related to his admission. Additionally, he attended several workshops and seminars including one on the REDACTED

Reverend Msgr. Richard A. Looms Page 2

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George entered the program reserved and apprehensive. He had difficulty initially trusting the process and getting in touch with his feelings, but he made progress and was able to begin expressing his feelings more honestly and openly. He was able then to participate more fully in the program and gain a deeper understanding of himself and the issues related to his sexuality, sexual molestation, shame, trust and vulnerability, intimacy, relationships and family of origin. Because the program at St. Michael's provides participants with tools to help them live a healthier lifestyle, the completion of this phase of the program is best viewed as a process rather than an event. The two-year Aftercare Program exists to reinforce what George learned during his participation in the residential program at St. Michael's Community.

George has outlined a proposed aftercare plan to assist him in maintaining the therapeutic gains he has made here at St. Michael's Community.

#### 3. Future Residence/Ministry:

It is George's intention to return to his home in California and determine which options are most viable for his life in or outside of ministry.

#### PROPOSED AFTERCARE COMMITMENTS

- 1. It is understood that George will not return to active ministry in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. If George locates a diocese in which to incardinate, he agrees to abide by the policies and procedures of that diocese as well as the incardination process outlined by Cardinal Mahoney. Wherever George chooses to live, it is recommended that a monitor be assigned to George.
- 2. It is imperative that he avoid all one-to-one unsupervised contact with minors and adolescents and he must have no physical contact with minors or adolescents other than a handshake.
- 3. It is recommended that George continue therapy with a professional therapist. Issues that continue to need to be addressed include:

  the realization that he cannot work with minors or be in a position where he has contact with them and all this entails, the vulnerability of minors and the harm resulting from sexual molestation, the reality that he is not immune to acting inappropriately if proper safeguards are not followed, guilt and shame related to his molestation of minors, REDACTED

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- 4. He should continue with spiritual direction to help him during his transition back to California as he makes decisions about his future.
- 5. It is important that George find a stable support group to avoid feeling isolated and to develop healthy adult relationships in a supportive environment. This could be a therapy group or a 12-Step group.
- 6. Continue with thirty to forty-five minutes of regular exercise at least three days per week such as walking or playing golf. For walking, the intensity should be brisk with warm up and warm down. George has an excellent strength/calisthenic program and if possible, it would be good for him to keep up his strength training. He should drink no less than eight 8 oz. cups of water per day; a high fiber, low fat diet is recommended.
- 7. It will be important for George to continue exploring career possibilities, identify job possibilities, and participate in an appropriate job retooling program. This process was begun at St. Michael's Community with REDACTED
- 8. Contact REDACTED , once a month, for the next six months.
- 9. Return to St. Michael's for an Aftercare Workshop approximately every six months after discharge for the next two years (total of four). Although this is strongly recommended, it is contingent upon his future work.

I do hope that this information will be helpful for you. If you would like anything further from St. Michael's Community regarding George, please contact me at your convenience.

Respectfully, REDACTED

cc: REDACTED

Reverend George M. Miller

Approved by:

(Very Rev.) Michael E. Foley, s.P., LCSW, D.Min

Program Director/Clinical Director

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#### ROLE OF A MONITOR

A monitor is a person who is chosen with the approval of the Bishop who will serve as a "quality control advisor" for a priest who would profit from ongoing supervision after treatment.

It is not necessary that this person be a trained clinician.

This monitor should be someone who will be able to relate to the person being monitored as someone who invites confidence.

The monitor has an obligation to talk with the Bishop or his designee and this should be arranged from the outset.

What the role of monitor entails:

Telephone contact as arranged

Face to face meetings on a regular basis

Reports should be given to the monitor stating where the person has been and what he did

Any issues of concern to either party should be discussed

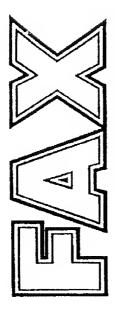
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### ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

... A HEALING PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS

June 25, 1997

Reverend Msgr. Richard A. Loomis Office of Vicar for Clergy Archdiocese of Los Angeles 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, California 90010

Dear REDACTED

I am writing to you with reference to Father George M. Miller who entered the program at St. Michael's Community on May 19, 1997. I am including a pre-discharge summary and his proposed Aftercare Commitments. If you have any concerns, questions, or wish to discuss the proposed commitments prior to the meeting, please contact me at REDACTED

The information contained herein is being released in accordance with the statutory requirements regarding confidentiality and may not be re-released without the written consent of Father George M. Miller. THIS REPORT IS FOR YOUR EYES ONLY. St. Michael's keeps these records for five years. If you need access to these records during that time, the proper release of information documentation can be provided by St. Michael's.

George's discharge planning conference is scheduled for Friday, June 27, 1997 at 10:15 a.m.

#### PRE-DISCHARGE SUMMARY

#### 1. Presenting Problem:

The presenting problems for George were allegations of sexual abuse of minors.

#### Course of Treatment and Progress:

George entered St. Michael's Community on June 21, 1996 and began a comprehensive program of group and individual therapy, art therapy, guided meditation, psychodrama, skills training, sexuality classes and groups, spirituality classes, exercise and education to gain insight and understanding concerning the issues related to his admission REDACTED

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provides participants with tools to help them live a healthier lifestyle, the completion of this phase of the program is best viewed as a process rather than an event. The two-year Aftercare Program exists to reinforce what George learned during his participation in the residential program at St. Michael's Community.

George has outlined a proposed aftercare plan to assist him in maintaining the therapeutic gains he has made here at St. Michael's Community.

#### 3. Future Residence/Ministry:

It is George's intention to return to his home in California and determine which options are most viable for his life in or outside of ministry.

#### PROPOSED AFTERCARE COMMITMENTS

- 1. It is understood that George will not return to active ministry in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. If George locates a diocese in which to incardinate, he agrees to abide by the policies and procedures of that diocese as well as the incardination process outlined by Cardinal Mahoney. Wherever George chooses to live, it is recommended that a monitor be assigned to George.
- 2. It is imperative that he avoid all one-to-one unsupervised contact with minors and adolescents and he must have no physical contact with minors or adolescents other than a handshake.
- 3. It is recommended that George continue therapy with a professional therapist. Issues that continue to need to be addressed include: the realization that he cannot work with minors or be in a position where he has contact with them and all this entails, the vulnerability of minors and the harm resulting from sexual molestation, the reality that he is not immune to acting inappropriately if proper safeguards are not followed REDACTED REDACTED

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- 4. He should continue with spiritual direction to help him during his transition back to California as he makes decisions about his future.
- 5. It is important that George find a stable support group to avoid feeling isolated and to develop healthy adult relationships in a supportive environment. This could be a therapy group or a 12-Step group.
- 6. Continue with thirty to forty-five minutes of regular exercise at least three days per week such as walking or playing golf. For walking, the intensity should be brisk with warm up and warm down. George has an excellent strength/calisthenic program and if possible, it would be good for him to keep up his strength training. He should drink no less than eight 8 oz. cups of water per day; a high fiber, low fat diet is recommended.
- 7. It will be important for George to continue exploring career possibilities, identify job possibilities, and participate in an appropriate job retooling program. This process was begun at St. Michael's Community with REDACTED
- 8. Contact REDACTED

once a month, for the next six months.

9. Return to St. Michael's for an Aftercare Workshop approximately every six months after discharge for the next two years (total of four). Although this is strongly recommended, it is contingent upon his future work.

I do hope that this information will be helpful for you. If you would like anything further from St. Michael's Community regarding George, please contact me at your convenience.

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Case Manager

cc: REDACTED

Reverend George M. Miller

Approved by:

(Very Rev.) Michael E. Foley, s.P., LCSW, D.Min.

Program Director/Clinical Director

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#### ROLE OF A MONITOR

A monitor is a person who is chosen with the approval of the Bishop who will serve as a "quality control advisor" for a priest who would profit from ongoing supervision after treatment.

It is not necessary that this person be a trained clinician.

This monitor should be someone who will be able to relate to the person being monitored as someone who invites confidence.

The monitor has an obligation to talk with the Bishop or his designee and this should be arranged from the outset.

What the role of monitor entails:

Telephone contact as arranged

Face to face meetings on a regular basis

Reports should be given to the monitor stating where the person has been and what he did

Any issues of concern to either party should be discussed

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## ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

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#### AFTERCARE COMMITMENTS

#### Reverend George M. Miller

Upon my departure from St. Michael's Community I choose to commit myself to the following plans for the purpose of continuing the process of growth and personal development that I have begun. While I recognize that unforeseen circumstances may not permit me to realize this plan in its entirety, I also choose to commit myself to a process of consultation and deliberation before I change or delete any of these commitments. It is understood that this plan is undertaken for my period of Aftercare, and shall be reviewed upon each of my return visits for the Aftercare Workshop week.

- 1. It is understood that George will not return to active ministry in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. If George locates a diocese in which to incardinate, he agrees to abide by the policies and procedures of that diocese as well as the incardination process outlined by Cardinal Mahoney. Wherever George chooses to live, it is recommended that a monitor be assigned to George.
- 2. It is imperative that he avoid all one-to-one unsupervised contact with minors and adolescents and he must have no physical contact with minors or adolescents other than a handshake.
- It is recommended that George continue therapy with a professional therapist. Issues that continue to need to be addressed include:

  the realization that he cannot work with minors or be in a position where he has contact with them and all this entails, the vulnerability of minors and the harm resulting from sexual molestation, the reality that he is not immune to acting inappropriately if proper safeguards are not followed, guilt and shame related to his molestation of minors, feelings consequent to REDACTED

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  loss of ministry, adjustment to a new lifestyle, continuing to develop healthy methods of addressing appropriate needs, feelings related to familial issues and how these have in the past and continue to affect his life.
- 4. He should continue with spiritual direction to help him during his transition back to California as he makes decisions about his future.
- 5. It is important that George find a stable support group to avoid feeling isolated and to develop healthy adult relationships in a supportive environment. This could be a therapy group or a 12-Step group.

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- 6. Continue with thirty to forty-five minutes of regular exercise at least three days per week such as walking or playing golf. For walking, the intensity should be brisk with warm up and warm down. George has an excellent strength/calisthenic program and if possible, it would be good for him to keep up his strength training. He should drink no less than eight 8 oz. cups of water per day; a high fiber, low fat diet is recommended.
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- 8. Contact REDACTED , once a month, for the next six months.
- 9. Return to St. Michael's for an Aftercare Workshop approximately every six months after discharge for the next two years (total of four). Although this is strongly recommended, it is contingent upon his future work.

Reverend George M. Miller	6-27-97 Date
The undersigned, by signature, give these commitment REDACTED	nts support and witness:
<del></del>	0 <u>7-08-97</u> Date
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Director of Aftercare	6/27/97 Date

(Very Rev.) Michael E. Foles, s.P., LCSW, D.Min.

Program Director/Clinical Director

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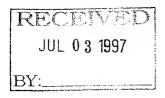
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## ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

... A HEALING PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS

June 30, 1997





#### **REDACTED**

Archdiocese of Los Angeles Chancery Office 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010

 $_{\mathrm{Dear}}$ REDACTED

I am enclosing the original Aftercare Commitments for Father George M. Miller. Please sign on the line indicated on the last page and return all pages of the Commitments to me in the self-addressed envelope enclosed.

If you have any questions, please call me.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Case Manager

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From:

Loomis, Msgr. Richard Monday, July 07, 1997 5:0 MEMORANDUM

Sent: To:

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Subject:

RE: Father George Miller

Change status to Inactive as of July 1, 1997.

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Subject:

Monsignor,

Now that the Ad. has discontinued paying for Fr. Miller's pension, should his status be changed from "Sick Leave" to "Inactive Leave"?

Please advise. Thanks.

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I met with.

He has agreed to follow George propositionally.

Stipulations enclosed



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## RELEASE OF FINAL REPORT:

Date: July 30, 1997		. 4	
Date. <u>July 50, 1557</u>	*		-
Name of Client: Reverend George M. Miller		 	<u> </u>
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Release authorized to:		 	

I hereby authorize my final report to be sent to the above mentioned person (provided the alterations in the draft have been made as I have indicated).\*

Signed

Date

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September 8, 1997

#### REDACTED

Archdiocese of Los Angeles Chancery Office 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010

 $_{\mathrm{Dear}}$ REDACTED

I am writing to provide you with a final progress report for Father George M. Miller. Father Miller entered St. Michael's Community Program June 21, 1996.

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Father Miller worked on the following issues:

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I want to thank you, Father, for the opportunity of working with George. If we can be of any further assistance to you, the Diocese, or George, we will be very happy to do whatever we can. Please remember all of us here at St. Michael's in your thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,

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Attachment

cc: Reverend George M. Miller

Approved by:

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9-8-97 Date

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George indicates that Fr. Dick Loomis is to write him a letter in this regard as well as other issues. Therapist discussed with George the issue of functioning in parish ministry. Therapist asked him what he would do if the bishop in Mexico, if he were to allow him to work down there, would assign him a parish. George said that he would do what the bishop wanted. Therapist stressed the problems that this might entail for George. Discussed the issue of denial, control, and how realistic he is around his problem; this being in spite of the fact that George has indicated that he has not engaged in any inappropriate sexual activity for twelve years even though he has been in parish work during this time. Therapist also pointed out to George that it might not be a bad idea to continue to look at other possibilities outside priestly ministry.

May 19, 1997

George discussed his sexual activity and sexual object choice. REDACTED

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He also talked about the object choice of ten, eleven or twelve year olds when he was an adult. He discussed how, during this period, he was having some difficulties and not attending to himself psychologically. REDACTED

An example of this was computer training possibly. George also discussed the amount of money he would like to make on a job. George may not be realistic at this point as to how he will make, especially when he first leaves St. Michael's and obtains work.

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George will be leaving St. Michael's on June 30th. REDACTED REDACTED

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George will need to continue the work around sexuality, sexual activity, anger at what the consequences have been to his behavior, and how he is going to adjust to a new life. He will need considerable support from friends and family.

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Therapist discussed George's commitments when he leaves here. The issue of whether or not George will have a monitor was discussed. Therapist pointed out to George that it was the policy of St. Michael's to recommend having a monitor when one leaves if one had engaged in sexual activity with minors. George said that, given this, he thought he might ask the priest who had been the pastor in his last assignment. He said they were friends and he got along well with him. He feels he could be open with him.

June 30, 1997

This was George's last session. He said he is sad to leave St. Michael's. He feels he has made good friends and relationships here. George feels St. Michael's is very good for him, especially in terms of how he dealt with relationships and how he learned, especially, to open up and talk about his issues. George has had a number of insights and made efforts to change. This regards the sexual molestation, how he attempts to suppress emotions, how he tended over his early years to isolate, how this affected him and his sexuality, how his suppressed emotions in generally affected him, and how he tends to abridge his personal growth because of this and perhaps other factors. Therapist has had to confront George on a number of occasions around the fact that he cannot even be in the presence of minors — this especially the case with any type of parishional work. George seemed only to resist this when it involved grasping at a straw of getting an assignment in Mexico. As he talks about working, at this point, outside of ministry he indicates no desire to work with minors. George says, at this point, he realizes the dangers involved for everybody, even if he were to be in the presence of minors alone.

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June 20, 1997

Therapist discussed the issue of whether or not George can be in the presence of minors alone and his attitude in this regard. Therapist was very direct with George in this regard. George, in the past, has indicated that he did feel as if he were being trusted around this issue. Therapist stressed to George that he has lost the right to trust, even if it is extremely remote whether he would do anything. Therapist also pointed out to George the problem of putting minors, himself, and anyone else at risk by not being prudent in this regard.

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able to handle it by himself. Sexuality was frightening to him because when he was growing up he was led to think that these things were bad; he was never comfortable talking about sex. REDACTED

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A) Monitor 9/16/97

B) Therapy ILE

C) Job training

D) 12 step support

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E) accountability to

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## ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

October 21, 1997

Reverend George M. Miller REDACTED

Dear Father Miller:

We at St. Michael's are looking forward to seeing you at the Aftercare Workshop, December 1 - 5, 1997. We recognize the importance of your commitment to this aspect of the program and are making every effort to maximize the effectiveness of the time you will spend with us.

We have arranged for the facilities at the Mercy Center in Frontenac, Missouri to be made available for you. This is a quiet retreat center located about 8 miles from St. Michael's. It is located at 2039 N. Geyer Road just south of Clayton Road. If you would like to receive phone calls, the phone number of the Retreat House is 314/966-4686. If you are planning to receive any phone calls after 8:00 p.m., please tell the caller to use EXT. 240. Otherwise you will not receive the message until the following morning.

Aftercare Week will begin at 4:30 p.m. on Monday. Please make arrangements to be at the Center by 4:15 p.m. Since we devote time to cardiovascular activities, please bring suitable clothing for exercising. Mercy Center is a smoke-free facility, and we ask that you respect their policy. Smoking is permitted in the courtyard.

Enclosed you will find two forms which are to be returned immediately in the enclosed addressed envelope. One is a transportation form and the other is a questionnaire. We will also be sending a questionnaire to your Bishop/Superior. There is a map to assist those who will be driving here. If you are delayed in your arrival and cannot reach a staff person to arrange for transportation, TAKE A TAXI TO ST. MICHAEL'S. We will transport you to the workshop at the earliest possible convenience.

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Reverend George M. Miller Page Two

On Friday morning after breakfast, there will be two vans available to transport you to St. Michael's. Following the group meetings with the residents there, we will celebrate the Eucharist and share lunch with the residents and staff. This will allow you the opportunity to establish new contacts and renew old friendships. Vans will be available to provide transportation to the airport and will leave from St. Michael's at 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. All men attending this Aftercare Week are invited to be present at the large group in the Chapel on Friday morning as well as the small groups and liturgy that follows. Please inform a member of the Aftercare staff if there is a reason why you need to leave the Aftercare Week early.

We anticipate your arrival here with pleasure and are confident that this time together will prove beneficial.

Please return all forms by November 15, 1997.

Sincerely, REDACTED

St. Michael's Community

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October 21, 1997

#### **REDACTED**

Archdiocese of Los Angeles Chancery Office 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010

Re: Reverend George M. Miller

### Dear REDACTED

As Director of Aftercare my responsibilities include the ongoing therapeutic care of those who have completed treatment at St. Michael's Community. I am also happy to provide you with any assistance you may need with regard to the aftercare for the priest/brother whom you sent to us.

Enclosed you will find a copy of the letter sent to those returning for Aftercare Week at Mercy Center for the week of December 1 - 5, 1997. You will also note that a questionnaire and return envelope have been included. Please fill out the questionnaire and return it at your earliest possible convenience. Your input is very helpful to the staff in our efforts to address ongoing issues.

Thank you.

Sincerely, REDACTED

Director of Aftercare

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**Archdlocese of Los Angeles** 

Office of Vicar for Clergy (213) 637-7284 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles California 90010-2241

November 24, 1997

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Case Manager St. Michael Center & Institute 13270 Maple Drive St. Louis, MO 63127-1999

## **Dear** REDACTED

Father George Miller will be traveling to St. Louis, MO in order to participate in his after-care workshop that has been scheduled for the week of December 1.

In order to save the Archdiocese of Los Angeles over \$1,200.00 for Father Miller's airfare, our travel agent recommended that Father Miller spend the weekend there. Therefore, may I please ask you to extend hospitality to him until Sunday, December 7.

His reservations have been made and confirmed as follows:

#### MONDAY, DECEMBER 1

Depart LAX at 9:15 AM -- TWA Flight No. 66 Arrive St. Louis at 2:37 PM

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7

Depart St. Louis at 8:50 AM - TWA Flight No. 443

Father Miller would appreciate having someone from St. Michael's meet him at the baggage claim area.

Thank you very much for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours, REDACTED

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## AFTERCARE PROGRESS REVIEW ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

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RELATIONSHIP TO PATIEN	
PHONE NUMBER: REDACT	WORKSHOP DATE: December 1 - 5, 1997
Please respond to the following will be sent to you every six nadditional space, please attach	g questions as fully and as honestly as you can. This is a progress review that nonths for two years as part of St. Michael's Aftercare program. If you need a separate sheet of paper.
How do you evaluate Brother/I	Father in the following important areas of his sobriety/recovery?
I. Current status.	
A. FOR ALCOHOLICS PROGRAM.	S, CHEMICAL DEPENDENTS AND ANYONE WHO ATTENDS A 12-STEP
1. Has he abstained	from alcohol and other mood-altering chemicals? (AA ONLY)
2. Has he had absti	nence in his bottom-line sobriety? (AA, SLAA, SA, OA, ETC.)
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3. Does he have a s	sponsor in each of the 12-Step Programs he attends?
A	<u>-</u> .
by hi	dols not attend 12 Step meetings
B. FOR THOSE WITH INCLUDING CHE	BIOLOGICAL, PSYCHOLOGICAL, SOCIAL AND/OR SPIRITUAL ISSUES, MICAL DEPENDENCY OR NOT.
1. Has he been exp	periencing problems?
2. Is he in therapy?	How often? ys: man week
3. Does he attend a	any groups? NA
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A. Describe the nature of his work. Hong is My looking for Bays it Might with with with his Ahrapy. This nuts man will and understanding.  B. To the best of your knowledge, is he fulfilled in his current ministry?  C. Please describe Father/Brother's relationship with the diocese/congregation.  D. Are there any difficulties or concerns regarding Father/Brother's current assignment?  Medical Status:  A. Have there been any health issues in the last six months or since leaving St. Michael's?  B. Has there been a need to see any health professionals for any reason?	
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B. Has there been a need to see any health professionals for any reason?	
C. Any current medications taken?	
Psychological Status:	
A. Does Brother/Father experience stress as a problem in his life?	

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	B.	How well does he get along with peers in his rectory/community living?
	C.	Is there any indication of prolonged depression?
v.		kual Status:  Do you know of any problems in regard to sexuality?
VI.	_	iritual Life:  Does Brother/Father see a spiritual director? Open 6 month
		How often?
п.	Ac	Iditional Comments:  Derrall, George is remaining abstinist.  In news for both at work and 12 Sty  Meeting as symptoms of his passinity.



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Archdiocese of Los Angeles Chancery Office 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010

Dear REDACTED

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The Aftercare workshop consisted of components which focused on the following important areas of holistic health. Enclosed is a list of these components.

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We talked a bit about his living situation; he presently is sharing the mobile home with his and he said he finds this very comfortable and enjoys living with her.

We talked about where he goes from here, especially in terms of work. He is taking a computer course and he said that he feels that he just needs to be ready for whatever the next step might be. He talked a bit about ministry and talked also about a treatment center in Guadalajara which it was suggested to him that he might want to look into. I strongly encouraged him not to put a lot of hope into the possibility of being reassigned as a priest. I said this before and I say it again, I just do not think with his history that it is real helpful to encourage him in this area at all. It is not surprising, in light of not only what is happening in the States but I think what is happening in Mexico and Central and South America, that everybody is just being extremely cautious about assigning anyone who has any previous history in terms of crossing sexual boundaries of minors.

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George states that he is not in active ministry presently. He states that he resides with his reducted in her home spending his time in home repair and maintenance and taking computer courses. He states that he is aware that he will not be able to seek active ministry in the diocese. He states that his primary concern is psychotherapy at this time. Therefore, he states he continues in a sabbatical status, receiving a stipend from the diocese. He reports that he is content with the structure of his time.

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Yours truly, REDACTED

Director of Aftercare

cc: Reverend George M. Miller

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ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

Approved by:

(Very Rev.) Michael E. Foley, s.P., D.Min., Psy.D., L.C.S.W.

Program Director/Clinical Director

The December 1 - 5, 1997 Aftercare Workshop consisted of the following components which took place in the daily structure of common Morning and Evening Prayer and the Concelebration of the Eucharist.

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## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Cardinal Roger Mahony

From: Monsignor Richard Loomis

Date: Thursday, January 15, 1998

Re: Father George Miller

I would like to give you an update on Father Miller. He is living in REDACTED REDACTED He is attending therapy on a regular basis. However, he is not following through on the other portions of his recovery plan. He has not obtained employment nor has he attended a 12-Step group on a regular basis. Father REDACTED feels that this is passive resistance based on his Native American background. He is not actively defying the program nor is he acting out. He is simply not carrying out all that was agreed. After several attempts both by ourselves and Saint Michael's staff at his after-care workshop, Father REDACTED does not think this situation will change.

After consulting with Father REDACTED (from a therapeutic point of view) and with REDACTED (from a financial point of view), I would recommend that we move Father Miller from Archdiocesan support to "Retired" status, making clear once again that he has no Faculties and no permission to participate in ministry. This will give him \$1,135.70 per month in income, plus the usual benefits provided a retired priest by the Pension Fund. Since he is living outside the rectory, he will be responsible for his own living expenses.

The Pension Fund will formally take over his support beginning on his sixty-fifth birthday, in about two years.

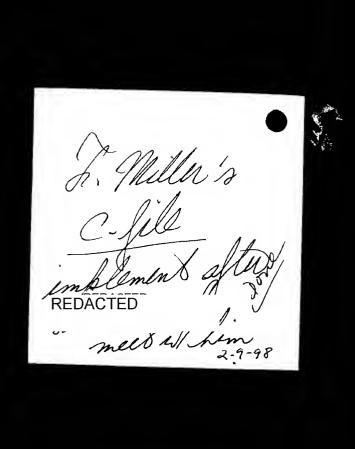
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If you agree, we will implement this plan.

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## MEMORANDUM OFFICE OF THE VICAR FOR CLERGY

DATE:

May 6, 1998

TO:

Monsignor Richard A. Loomis

FROM:

Father REDACTED

RE:

Father George Miller

On February 2, 1998, I met with REDACTED Miller at the Archdiocesan Cathouc Center.

Ph.D. and Father George

This meeting was occasioned by Father Miller's return from his workshop in St. Michael's. REDACTED stated that Father Miller was keeping his therapy meetings with him, but that he was not going to his Twelve Step meetings and was not working hard in getting a job.

You joined us and informed Father Miller that he could be considered a candidate for early retirement.

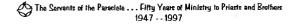
Father Miller was encouraged to intensify his Twelve Step Program.

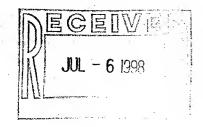


## ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

... A HEAUNG PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS

June 3, 1998





#### **REDACTED**

Archdiocese of Los Angeles 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010-2241

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1. Quality of Relationship to AA or Other Support Networks:

George reports that he attends SLAA meetings once a week but does not yet have a sponsor.

2. Current Ministry/Assignment:

Presently, George is living at home and looking for a job.

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Program Director/Clinical Director

The May 11 - 15, 1998 Aftercare Workshop consisted of the following components which took place in the daily structure of common Morning and Evening Prayer and the Concelebration of the Eucharist.



## MEMORANDUM OFFICE OF THE VICAR FOR CLERGY

TO:

Monsignor Richard A. Loomis

FROM:

ReverendREDACTED

RE:

Father George Miller

DATE:

June 18, 1998

Father George Miller, REDACTED Ph.D., his therapist, and I met at the ACC on May 26. This was a follow-up to Father Miller's continuing care workshop held at St. Michael's on May 11.

Father Miller has been actively pursuing employment, he is attending two 12 step meetings a week, and he continues to meet with his therapist regularly.

As far as can be determined, his picture is stable.

#### CLERGY DATABASE

Last:Miller

Title: Rev.

First: George

Middle:M.

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05/20/96 REDACTED has lodged a complaint against Fr. Miller for sexual abuse against himself and his brother when they were minors at Guardian Angel, Pacoima. Father admitted molesting REDACTED brother, REDACTED and asked forgiveness. Vicar withdrew him from ministry. Fr. REDACTED thinks that a comprehensive evaluation is in order since the history is so long - 20 years, plus his own childhood molestation. REDACTED is asking for \$250,000. He does not want therapy. 10/28/96 Fr. REDACIED met with Fr. Miller and his therapist at the beginning of October. He is doing well in the program. Though we do not have names, there has been disclosure at this time of some eight victims. Fr. says there are no more than that. 02/10/97 Excerpts from Msgr. Loomis' memo to the Card: Fr. is nearing the end of his treatment. We have consistently said that he will not be readmitted to ministry here because of his situation and history. There are an unknown number of possible victims that might come forward at any time. 03/03/97 Vicar wrote to Fr. to inform him that the recent changes in the child abuse reporting law and the statute of limitations here in CA have changed the way we have to look at many things in our personnel policies. Therefore, he will be unable to return to priestly ministry in LA. We will be open to assisting him in your transition from treatment. We will cooperate in so far as we are able. 03/24/97 Excerpts from his report: the information about not being able to return to ministry here was devastating for him. He is concerned that he is up in age; therefore, not being able to find something suitable for him. 03/27/97 It is recommended that he return to St. Michael's for an After-care Workshop approximately every six mths. after discharge for the next two years (total of four.) 05/16/97 Excerpts from Msgr. Loomis' letter: The Ad. would be willing to assist him in the transition into a secular way of life by: 1) the gift of a serviceable car; 2) the maintenance of RETA until COBRA is required. We feel that it would be very necessary for him to find employment. His vested retirement benefits are intact. If he wishes to begin a process for laicization, the Ad. would be able to assist him. No more pension assessments being paid. 02/01/98 Retired -- Pension Fund will formally take over his support beginning on his 65th birthday -- 2003. 02/15/98 He rec'd. \$5K to help him with transportation. 08/11/98 He drives a '98 Honda Civic LX Sedan. After-care workshop has been scheduled for March 15 - 19, 1999.



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#### ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

... A HEALING PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS

August 26, 1998

Reverend George M. Miller REDACTED

Dear Father Miller:

We at St. Michael's are looking forward to seeing you at the Aftercare workshop, October 12 - 16, 1998. We recognize the importance of your commitment to this aspect of the program and are making every effort to maximize the effectiveness of the time you will spend with us.

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We anticipate your arrival here with pleasure and are confident that this time together will prove beneficial.

Please return all forms by September 23, 1998.

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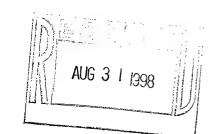
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August 26, 1998



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Archdiocese of Los Angeles 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010-2241

Re:

Reverend George M. Miller

#### Dear REDACTED

As Director of Aftercare my responsibilities include the ongoing therapeutic care of those who have completed treatment at St. Michael's Community. I am also happy to provide you with any assistance you may need with regard to the aftercare for the priest/brother whom you sent to us.

Enclosed you will find a copy of the letter sent to those returning for Aftercare week at Mercy Center for the week of October 12 - 16, 1998. You will also note that a questionnaire and return envelope have been included. Please fill out the questionnaire and return it at your earliest possible convenience. Your input is very helpful to the staff in our efforts to address ongoing issues.

Thank you.

Sincerely, REDACTED

Director of Aftercare

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#### REDACTED

To:

Loomis, Msgr. Richard A.

RE: Father George Miller Subject:

Monsignor,

He did not say. He was very enigmatic about the contents of the letter.

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From:

Sent:

Loomis, Msgr. Richard A. Tuesdav. September 22, 1998 9:11 AM REDACTED

To:

Subject:

RE: Father George Miller

In your e-mail, you say, "However, he told me that he has been expecting a letter." From me? From St. Michael's?

The financial arrangement sounds fine.

REDACTED

Sent: Monday, September 21, 1998 3:45 PM To: Msgr. Richard Loomis Subject: Father George Miller

Monsignor,

Father Miller called the office. He is scheduled to go to St. Michael's the week of Oct 12.

However, he told me that he has been expecting a letter. Apparently, that missive would determine whether or not he would need to change the date of his after-care workshop.

I called our travel agent to find out how far in advance we would need to buy his ticket. She told me 21 days. So, I went ahead and booked him for the week of the 12th. The price of a round trip ticket is \$1,745.93. However, he will be returning on Sunday, Oct. 18 in order to save us money. That way, the price goes down to \$424.00.

If for some reason, he is not able to travel on the 12th, he is willing to pay the \$75.00 re-issuing fee. He told me that he wanted to avoid waiting until the last moment.

Thank you.





**Archdlocese of Los Angeles** 

Office of Vicar for Clergy (213) 637-7284 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles California 90010-2241

September 25, 1998

Reverend George Miller REDACTED

Dear Father Miller:

This letter follows our telephone conversation regarding your after-care workshop at St. Michael's. Accordingly, your reservations have been made and confirmed as follows:

Monday, October 12:

Depart LAX at 9:00 AM – TWA #66 (non-stop) Arrive St. Louis International at 2:32 PM

Sunday, October 18:

Depart St. Louis International at 8:50 AM – TWA No.443 (non-stop) Arrive LAX at 10:51 AM

Please be aware that if you reschedule your after-care workshop, TWA would charge \$75.00 for re-issuing another ticket. The travel agent also informed me that the rate could go up.

I will be contacting St. Michael's regarding your travel arrangements, and someone will be there to meet you at the baggage claim area.

Please let me know if I can be of further assistance to you.

Sincerely yours, REDACTED

**REDACTED** 

**Enclosures** 

#### REDACTED

From:

Loomis, Msgr. Richard A.

Sent:

Thursday, October 08, 1998 1:15 PM

To:

REDACTED

Subject:

RE: Fr. George Miller

We received a copy of the letter from St. Michael's to Fr. Miller inviting him to Aftercare. If that's what he's waiting for, telling him I'll FAX him a copy if he needs it. Otherwise, just ask him to call St. Michael's to confirm his invitation.

From:

REDACTED

Sent:

Thursday, October 08, 1998 12:05 PM Msgr. Richard Loomis

Subject:

Fr. George Miller

Monsignor,

I called Fr. Miller to ask him if he will be leaving for St. Louis next Monday for his after-care since I do need to notify St. Michael's of his arrival.

He told me that he is still waiting for a certain "letter" to arrive. In case he receives that letter in tomorrow's mail, he told me that he would call St. Michael's.

I talked to REDACTED yesterday about his meeting request with you and Father Miller. He told me that he will be meeting with Father this afternoon. Therefore, I put a tentative hold in your calendar for a possible meeting on Oct. 29 at 4:30 pm.REDACTED will check Father's availability on that date and time.

Thank you.

# AFT CARE PROGRESS REVIEW ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY



NAME: MGR. RICHARD LOOMIS PARTICIPANT: Reverend George M. Miller
RELATIONSHIP TO PATIENT: VICAR FOR CLORGY
PHONE NUMBER REDACTED WORKSHOP DATE: OCTOBER 12 - 16, 1998
Please respond to the following questions as fully and as honestly as you can. This is a progress review tha will be sent to you every six months for two years as part of St. Michael's Aftercare program. If you need additional space, please attach a separate sheet of paper.
How do you evaluate Brother/Father in the following important areas of his sobriety/recovery?
I. Current Status:
A. FOR ALCOHOLICS, CHEMICAL DEPENDENTS AND ANYONE WHO ATTENDS A 12-STEP PROGRAM.
1. Has he abstained from alcohol and other mood-altering chemicals? (AA ONLY)
2. Has he had abstinence in his bottom-line sobriety? (AA, SLAA, SA, OA, ETC.)
3. Does he have a sponsor in each of the 12-Step Programs he attends?
B. FOR THOSE WITH BIOLOGICAL, PSYCHOLOGICAL, SOCIAL AND/OR SPIRITUAL ISSUES INCLUDING CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY OR NOT.
1. Has he been experiencing problems? Nor to MY KNOWLENGE
2. Is he in therapy? How often? GEORGE IS IN THERAPY + ATTENDS
REGULARLY
3. Does he attend any groups? Nor To my Knownshaf

II.		Current Assignment:			
	A.	Describe the nature of his work. HE HAS NO ASSIGNMENT. HE IS A			
	RETIRED PRIEST WITHOUT FACULTIES.				
	В.	To the best of your knowledge, is he fulfilled in his current ministry?			
	C.	Please describe Father/Brother's relationship with the diocese/congregation.			
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	D.	Are there any difficulties or concerns regarding Father/Brother's current assignment?			
	BOLATION IS A CONCERN.   DO NOT KNOW IF THERE IT A				
		SUFFICIENT SUPPORT NETWORK OF FAMILY & FRIENDS.			
ш.	M	Medical Status:			
	A. Have there been any health issues in the last six months or since leaving St. Michael's?  \( \frac{1}{2} \)				
		to my knowledge			
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	В.	Has there been a need to see any health professionals for any reason? ONLY TUE			
		CUPRENT ARRANGEMENT FOR THERAPY.			
	C.	Any current medications taken? UNLNOWN.			
		,			
IV.	Ps	ychological Status:			
	A.	Does Brother/Father experience stress as a problem in his life? No.			

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	В.	How well does he get along with peers in his rectory/community living? CFOREF LIVES  PRIVATELY.
	C.	Is there any indication of prolonged depression?
V.	Se	xual Status:
	<b>A.</b>	Do you know of any problems in regard to sexuality? \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \
VI.	Sp	iritual Life:
	_	Does Brother/Father see a spiritual director? <u>LT.</u>
	В.	How often? RECULARIY.
	C.	Do you see growth in this area for him?
'n.	Ad	lditional Comments:
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## Notes on the meeting of REDACTED and Fr. George Miller with Msgr. Loomis - 10/29/98 - 4:00 PM - Msgr. Loomis' residence

Fr. Miller reported on his aftercare week at St. Michaels', recounting the positive experience of realizing ho far he has come in his self-knowledge and his ability to communicate about himself and his problems. He is dealing with ambivalent feelings about his sister's offer to tell him "the horror stories of our family's secrets." Though recognizing that his acknowledgment of his personal secrets has been liberating and has allowed him to connect with others in recovery, he still fears what he might learn. Fr. and he will work this issue in therapy. Fr. Miller expressed his thanks for the opportunity to complete the aftercare sessions and is already looking forward to the next one in March, 1999.

He has tried to stay in regular contact with REDACTED and REDACTED just as friends, as well as occasional social visits with Bishop Curry.

Fr. Miller and REDACTED testified to his adherence to his treatment plan of 12-Step Group (SLAA), personal therapy and spiritual direction. He still has "future" issues to address - employment, exploring ministry in Mexico, etc. but he is working his program well and is firm in his recovery.

Fr. Miller reported that he is more free today than any time in his life. In this, he sees little opportunity for acting out.

He did have a question about his car insurance. If he gets a job in which he must use his car (i.e., delivery) will the Archdiocesan insurance cover him?



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#### ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

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November 2, 1998

Reverend Msgr. Richard A. Loomis Vicar for Clergy Archdiocese of Los Angeles 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010-2241

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Approved by:

N. Rev. Diem J. House s.P. Very Rev. Liam J. Hoare, s.P., M.A., L.P.C.C., C.A.D.C.

Servant General and Executive Director

The October 12 - 16, 1998 Aftercare Workshop consisted of the following components which took place in the daily structure of common Morning and Evening Prayer and the Concelebration of the Eucharist.

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ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY
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January 25, 1999

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Director of Aftercare St. Michael's Community

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cc: Reverend Monsignor Richard A. Loomis



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#### ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

... A HEALING PLACE FOR PRIESTS & BROTHERS

January 25, 1999

Reverend Monsignor Richard A. Loomis Vicar for Clergy Archdiocese of Los Angeles 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010-2241

Re: Reverend George M. Miller

Dear Monsignor Loomis:

As Director of Aftercare my responsibilities include the ongoing therapeutic care of those who have completed treatment at St. Michael's Community. I am also happy to provide you with any assistance you may need with regard to the aftercare for the priest/brother whom you sent to us.

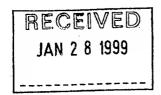
Enclosed you will find a copy of the letter sent to those returning for Aftercare week at Mercy Center for the week of March 15 - 19, 1999. You will also note that a questionnaire and return envelope have been included. Please fill out the questionnaire and return it at your earliest possible convenience. Your input is very helpful to the staff in our efforts to address ongoing issues.

Thank you.

Sincerely, REDACTED

Director of Aftercare

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Office of Vicar for Clergy (213) 637-7284 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles California 90010-2241

February 19, 1999

Reverend George Miller REDACTED

Dear Father Miller:

Enclosed you will find your airplane tickets for your trip to St. Louis, MO the week of March 15 through 19, 1999.

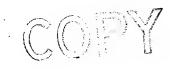
I remain available to assist you in any way I can.

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February 19, 1999

#### **REDACTED**

St. Michael Center & Institute 13270 Maple Drive St. Louis, MO 63127-1999

Dear

As a follow-up to our telephone conversation, I am writing to inform you about Father George Miller's travel itinerary to St. Louis, MO for his after-care workshop.

His reservations have now been made and confirmed as follows:

#### **MONDAY, MARCH 15**

Depart from LAX at 7:00 AM on America West Flight #2410 Arrive in Phoenix at 9:15 AM

Transfer into America West, Flight No. 149

Depart Phoenix at 10:40 AM Arrive at St. Louis International Airport at 2:49 PM

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 19

Depart St. Louis at 4:20 PM on America West Flight #2636

Thank you very much for making the necessary arrangements to have someone from the Center meet Father Miller at the airport.

Sincerely yours, REDACTED

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# AFT: .CARE PROGRESS REVIEW ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY

NAME: MSER. KICHARO LOOMIS PARTICIPANT: Reverend George M. Miller
RELATIONSHIP TO PATIENT: VICAR FOR CLERGY
PHONE NUMBER: WORKSHOP DATE: MARCH 15 - 19, 1999
Please respond to the following questions as fully and as honestly as you can. This is a progress review that will be sent to you every six months for two years as part of St. Michael's Aftercare program. If you need additional space, please attach a separate sheet of paper.
How do you evaluate Brother/Father in the following important areas of his sobriety/recovery?
I. Current Status:
A. FOR ALCOHOLICS, CHEMICAL DEPENDENTS AND ANYONE WHO ATTENDS A 12-STEP PROGRAM.
1. Has he abstained from alcohol and other mood-altering chemicals? (AA ONLY)
2. Has he had abstinence in his bottom-line sobriety? (AA, SLAA, SA, OA, ETC.)
3. Does he have a sponsor in each of the 12-Step Programs he attends?
B. FOR THOSE WITH BIOLOGICAL, PSYCHOLOGICAL, SOCIAL AND/OR SPIRITUAL ISSUES
INCLUDING CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY OR NOT.  1. Has he been experiencing problems? To the best of our knowledge,
there have not been problemo.
2. Is he in therapy? How often? <u>Peorge is in regular therapy</u>
3. Does he attend any groups? not to my knowledge

II.	Cu	rrent Assignment:
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	B.	To the best of your knowledge, is he fulfilled in his current ministry?
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	C.	Please describe Father/Brother's relationship with the diocese/congregation. I meet for the George of his therapist on a periodic
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	n	Are there any difficulties or concerns regarding Father/Brother's current assignment?
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III.	M	edical Status:
	A.	Have there been any health issues in the last six months or since leaving St. Michael's?
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	n	Has there been a need to see any health professionals for any reason?
	В.	Has there been a need to see any hearth professionals for any rooms.
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April 13, 1999

Reverend Monsignor Richard A. Loomis Vicar for Clergy Archdiocese of Los Angeles 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010-2241

Dear Monsignor Loomis:

The purpose of this correspondence is to report on the progress of Father George M. Miller and to inform you of the content of his Aftercare workshop. This workshop was held at the Mercy Center in Frontenac, Missouri. It began on Monday, March 15, 1999 at 4:30 p.m. and lasted until after lunch on Friday, March 19, 1999.

The information contained herein is being released in accordance with the statutory requirements regarding confidentiality and may not be re-released without the written consent of Father George M. Miller. THIS REPORT IS FOR YOUR EYES ONLY. St. Michael's keeps these records for five years. If you need access to these records during that time, the proper release of information documentation can be provided by St. Michael's.

The Aftercare workshop consisted of components which focused on important areas of holistic health. REDACTED

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George feels his life is going well at this point. He has considerable support, both formal and non-formal. REDACTED

He continues to learn and grow. George also said he is able to talk about sexual feelings and issues in a way that he was not before. He feels he is much more open to dealing with these in a way that is productive. He feels that this puts him in a position for resolution and control in a healthy way around these issues.

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George feels that he continues to work on the issues that brought him to St. Michael's, issues connected to this, and other issues that have surfaced. He feels he is doing good work and profiting considerably from this and is very appreciative of the therapy he has received and what the diocese has done for him.

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#### 1. Quality of Relationship to AA or Other Support Networks:

George reports that he attends SLAA meetings once a week, that he has a sponsor, and that he shares at meetings.

#### 2. Current Ministry/Assignment:

He describes his work as having been a courier. With regard to his relationship with the diocese, George reports that it has been good.

#### 3. Current Living Situations/Relationships:

George indicates that he lives at his REDACTED home. He further states that he has a good social support network and is able and willing to get together with friends.

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Having participated in this Aftercare week Father George concludes his formal association with St. Michael's. If the need arises, he is always welcome to call on us as a supportive resource.

We would like to thank you for your continued support of Father George during the Aftercare part of his program. Please do not hesitate to contact St. Michael's if we can be of any further assistance.

Yours truly. REDACTED

Director of Aftercare

cc: Reverend George M. Miller

This information has been disclosed to you from records whose confidentiality is protected by Federal Law. Federal Regulation (42 CFR, Part 2) prohibits you from making any further disclosure of it without the specific written consent of the person to whom it pertains, or as otherwise permitted by such regulations. A general authorization for the release of medical or other information is NOT sufficient for this purpose.

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Approved by:

Robert J. Furey, Ph

Program Director

The MARCH 15 - 19, 1999 Aftercare Workshop consisted of the following components which took place in the daily structure of common Morning and Evening Prayer and the Concelebration of the Eucharist.

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To: File

From: Monsignor Richard Loomis

Date: Thursday, April 29, 1999

Re: George Miller

I met yesterday at 4:00 PM at Saint Charles, North Hollywood, with George Miller and REDACTED , his therapist. They reported that George had completed his last Aftercare Workshop at Saint Michael's. He had a very good experience and received much support from the program. I told George that if he wished to attend one of the Workshops in the future, the Archdiocese would be willing to negotiate a joint payment of the cost with him.

George is actively pursuing his 12-step program, as well as seeing his therapist on a regular basis. Currently, George and his therapist are working on a review of his original psychological assessment to ensure that there are no issues left unaddressed and to assist George in seeing the changes that have come about in his life. Once this work is complete, they will begin meeting every other week and, eventually, once a month. Father REDACTED will notify me as the frequency of therapy decreases.

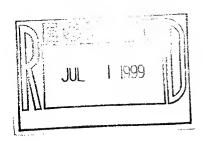
George is also working with some other men of our Archdiocese who have attended residential programs in order to form a support group.

George also reported that he had held a job as a courier for a financial company for three months but had to stop when he developed heart problems. He underwent an angiogram and angioplasty, which has corrected the problem for the time being. Currently, he does not have a job. His employer was very satisfied with his work and did invite him back but he found the job stressful and probably will seek other employment.

George expressed his thanks for the support and help of the Archdiocese, Bishop Curry, Msgr'sREDACTED and REDACTED as well as the support he has received from the Vicar's Office.

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June 30, 1999

Dear Dick:

I feel that this bill needs an explanation. George Miller's aunt finally decided to share with him all the family secrets. George became very emotional and I made a judgement that we had to do a double session on June 17th. Then I saw him again last week and this week to follow up before going on vacation.

I hope you are well and have an opportunity to rest and vacation this summer. I will be gone from July 14th to August 6th. I wish you well.

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Dear Craig:

I'm sure that you have looked over George Miller's file. I have done therapy with him for the past couple of years. He would like to have a meeting between you, me, and him. The purpose of the meeting is so that he can tell you his story and his present progress. Please give me a call so we can set something up. I'm at Crespi during the day and home in the evening. If at all possible, it would be easier to see you in the evening at Our Lady of Grace.

Sincerely, REDACTED

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From: Sent: To:

Loomis, Msgr. Richard A. Wednesday, July 11, 2001 4:27 PM Cox, Msgr. Craig A. REDACTED

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Fr. George Miller

#### **FYI**

After consulting with Dr. REDACTED & REDACTED & REDACTED , I granted permission for Fr. Miller to concelebrate a wedding Mass at St. Philip, Pasadena, on July 28, 2001.

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July 12, 2002

Archdiocese Of Los Angeles 3424 Wilshire Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 91321

Attn: Msgr. C. Cox

We have checked our personnel files and have no records that were kept from that long ago. We have no files on Rev. George Miller.

Sincerely,

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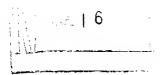
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July 15, 2002

Monsignor Craig Cox Vicar for Clergy Archdiocesan Catholic Center 3424 Wilshire Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90010-2241

Dear Monsignor Cox:

We looked into our parish records. No personal file of Rev. George Miller could be found.

In Unity, REDACTED

Pastor



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# Pacoima priest target of inquiry

## By Ryan Oliver Staff Writer

Published: Thursday, August 8, 2002

A priest who earned a reputation for helping children in poor San Fernando Valley neighborhoods faces investigation by a Los Angeles County grand jury over claims he sexually abused children, the Daily News has

The Rev. George Miller is among eight Roman Catholic priests now under grand jury investigation, said Lt. Dan Mulrenin, head of a Los Angeles Police Department task force on clerical abuse.

Two people have said they were molested by Millar during the 1970s and early 1980s while they were students at Guardian Angel Catholic Church in Pacoima, he said.

In a recent interview, one of the alleged victims said he has filed a police complaint against Miller, claiming that the priest molested him from the third to sixth grades.

"Here was this man that was practically regarded as God, and he treated me like his little toy," said the San Femando Valley man, now in his late 30s, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

"The whole time this was happening, I felt a tremendous fear. I don't know if I feared him or my family finding out. It was just fear."

Miller retired from the priesthood in 1997, and could not be reached for comment.

His attorney, Don Steier, said he has advised Miller not to comment. He said the retired priest has the support of many of his former parishioners.

"I believe that there are many people out there that are very fond of him, and a number of people have contacted me and said they're very supportive of him," said Steier, who is representing a number of priests in Los Angeles facing sexual-abuse allegations.

Steler also said Miller's accuser who agreed to be interviewed had contacted the archdiocese in 1996 and made accusations that are inconsistent with what he is saying now. The current allegation, Steler said, "is a much more substantial form of molestation than we've heard in the past."

The Valley man said he has never reported Miller's abuse of him to archdiocese officials.

Archdiocese spokesman Tod Tamberg said church officials are cooperating with the LAPD investigation. He refused to comment further on the case.

"Generally, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles has been very quick to remove priests from ministry when allegations of this nature are made." he said. "There is no priest we ere aware of currently serving in ministry who has been found to have abused a minor."

Tamberg said he doesn't know where Miller is, but noted he has no pastoral functions.

"He's no longer in ministry, ha's not in Mass and not wearing a Roman collar," Tamberg said.

The investigation of Miller has stunned those who remember him as an active priest, saying he was devoted to helping children in the Guardian Angel parish.

Former student David Berganio, now a professional golfer, said Miller coached football and basketball for the school, and went out of his way to know the families in his parish.

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"I'm in shock," said Berganio, who credits Miller with introducing him to golf as a kid.

"I remember him sitting ma down tha first gama of the (basketball) tournament, and that's whan ha told me, 'Kids like you have way too much time on your hands," he recalled. "He took a friend and me out and played golf. We went to Verdugo Hills. That's how I got introduced to the game."

Berganio said Miller naver acted inappropriataly toward him.

About 75 priests have come under investigation in Los Angelas County for alleged child molestation in recent months, with eight cases under grand jury review.

"These are the cases we consider our best so far," Mulrenin said.

Miller was ordained in 1963 and served at Our Lady of Perpetual Halp in Santa Clerita, San Buanavantura Mission Church in Ventura end St. Philomena in Carson before arriving at Guardian Angel.

Miller served at Guardian Angel from 1973 to '84, the last three years as pastor. He was then transferred to Santa Clara Church in Oxnard before he want out on sick leave in 1996. He retired a year later, archdiocese records show.

The Valley complainant said in the interview that he met Miller in the early 1970s when he was in the third grade at Guardian Angel. He said Miller became friends with his family, and that his mother was happy the priest was interested in spending time with her son.

"He would show up et our house," he said. "He would take me out to places, and one of these places was a beach house."

The man claims most of the abuse occurred at the beach house, which he said was located in Malibu and was owned by a funeral home that allowed Catholic clergy to use it as a retreat.

"I didn't really understand what was going on," he said. "I developed sort of a mental block about the whole thing. At the time, it certainly didn't seem to fall into the realm of right or wrong."

He said he didn't report Miller to his mother or authorities at the time because he didn't think anyone would believe him. In the 1970s, a priest doing something like this was unheard of and Miller had the complete respect of his mother, he said.

He said ha eventually marriad, had children and over time became angry about what had happened to him.

"I completely lost any type of faith in church or religion," he said. "This affected my education, and my education affected my economic status. I have tremendous enger-management issues."

Ha said he plens to file a lawsuit against Miller and possibly the archdiocese.

His attorney, Bob Rentzer, said he plens to refer the case to a law firm that specializes in sexual-abuse cases against the Roman Catholic Church.

"The actions of this priest are so indefensible," Rentzer said. "I'm e parent and a grandparent, I see something like this, and it's just repulsive."

Miller is the third Valley priest to come under scrutiny this year.

In June, Monsignor Chris Van Liefde, 53, was suspended as the pastor of St. Genevieve's Catholic Church in Penorama City after archdiocese officials received a complaint of "inappropriate conduct" that occurred 28 years add

The Rev. Dominic Savino, president of Crespi High School in Encino, was removed in March after church officials found evidence supporting allegations of sexual misconduct with 10 teenage boys between 1966 and 1979.

District Attorney's Office spokeswoman Jane Robison said no charges have been filed against eny of the priests under investigation because of saxual-abuse allegations stemming from incidents that might have happened years ago.

State law, Robison said, gives authoritias a year to file charges after receiving the complaint if the suspect is not in custody.

"We have the fuxury of going out and doing a very thorough investigation," she said.

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# Retired Valley priest arrested Ex-Vailey priest jailed in sex case

By Ryan Oilver

A retired priest who served in the San Fernando Valley and Ventura County was arrested Tuesday on suspicion of molesting two boys while he was assigned to Guardian Angel Church in Pacoima, authorities said.

The Rev. George Michael Miller, 64, was picked up about 7:20 a.m. at the Oxnard mobile home where he lives with his sister, officials said.

Miller, who retired from the priesthood in 1997, was booked on suspicion of committing a lewd act with a child, sodomy with a child under 14 and oral copulation, officials said. He was being held at the Los Angeles Police Department's Parker Center with bail set at \$500,000.

"He was arrested without incident," said Lt. Den Mulrenin, head of the LAPD's Sexually Exploited Child Unit. "He's not talking to us; he's being represented by counsel. There was no interrogetion.

The investigation of Miller began in Mey, after e man told police that Miller sexually abused him in the 1980s when he was a child and an altar boy et Guardian Angel Church. A month later, a second man told officers that Miller sexually assaulted him for three years, beginning in 1973.

In a previous interview with the Daily News, the second man said Miller molested him for three years, beginning when he was in the third grade at Guardian Angel Church. The molestation took place at a Malibu beach house owned by a local mortuary that allowed priests to use the home for a retreat, he said.

"Here wes this man that was practically regarded as God, and he treated me like his little toy," seid the man, a Valley resident now in his 30s. This whole time this was happening, I felt a tremendous feer. I don't know if I feared him or my family finding out. It was just fear."

Miller's attorney, Don Steier, said he questions the man's account because he's given contradictory statements in the past.

Staier said he's also concerned that Miller will not have the funds to hire a private attorney for any future criminal defense.

"I've been representing him for anything pre-arrest-related," Steler said. "He has paid me as he has been able to; he writes checks here and there for a few hundred dollars. But he doesn't have any means. He resides in a trailer."

"He's an American Indian, but unfortunately he joined the priesthood, and is, therefore, an Indian without any financial resources."

If charged, Miller would be the sixth priest facing prosecution in Los Angeles County for sexually molesting a juvenile. Five of those cases were investigated by Los Angeles police while the other was handled by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

"I think the fact we have arrested five priests is indicative of the fact we're taking this very senously," Mulrenin said.

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The Los Angeles Police Department has taken 140 complaints against 64 priests since earlier this year, when a sex scandal rocked the Catholic Archdiocese of Boston and gave the issue of pedophile priests national attention.

The Sheriff's Department has fielded additional complaints against 26 priests by more than 50 people.

Miller was ordained in 1963 and served at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Santa Clarita, San Buenaventura Mission Church in Ventura and St. Philomena in Carson before arriving at Guardian Angel in 1973.

He served there until 1984, when he was transferred to Santa Clara Church in Oxnard. He went on sick leave in 1996 and retired in 1997.

Mulrenin said he worries that there may have been other victims during Miller's career and urged anyone with information to come forward.

"it's been our experience that people that are sexual predators of children, they normally offend (with) many, many children," Mulrenin said. "They don't just do it once and stop."



# A BAD HABIT

Five other current or former Los Angeles-area priests have been charged with having sexual relations with iuveniles:

Michael Stephen Baker: 16 counts of oral copulation with a minor end 14 counts of committing a lewd act on a child under 14.

Carlos Rene Rodriguez: Eight counts of committing a lewd act on a child under 14.

George Neville Rucker: 23 counts of committing e lewd act on a child under 14. He was arrested white aboved a cruise ship.

John Anthony Salazar: Two counts of oral copulation with a minor. He remains at large, and authorities believe he is in Canada.

Matthew Michael Sprouffske: Four counts of molestation involving a child under 14. He was arrested last month in Illinois and is ewaiting extradition to Los Angeles.

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The Jan. 31, 2000, crash killed all 88 people aboard the Puerto Vallarta flight fr san Francisco. De-Mexico. spite an FAA-ordered overhaul of Alaska Airlines' practices, NTSB staff members told the board they have seen evidence continuing maintenance [See Crash, Page B7]



REMEMBERING: Julie Fisher of Eugene, Ore., holds a photo of h Haleberg, at the NTSB meeting. They died when Alaska Airlines Flig.

# **Retired Oxnard Priest Is Accused of Sexual Abuse**

He is the sixth cleric in recent months to be arrested on suspicion of child molestation.

By RICHARD WINTON Times Staff Writer

A retired Roman Catholic priest was arrested Tuesday for allegedly sexually abusing two boys at a Pacoima church, bringing to six the number of clerics booked for child molestation in Los Angeles-County in recent months.

Father Michael George Miller, 64, was taken into custody at his home in Oxnard. Miller, who retired from the priesthood in 1997, was held in lieu of \$500,000 ball.

The investigation began in May, when a man reported that he had been sexually assaulted by Miller while serving as an altar boy at Guardian Angel Church.

In June, a second man told Los Angeles Police Department detectives that Miller molested him as a child in the 1970s and '80s when he attended the same church.

We believe there are other victims of George Miller out there and we'd encourage them to contact us immediately," said LAPD Lt. Daniel Mulrenin.

This is the fifth arrest of a priest by the department this year, and it won't be the last. There are many other cases under investigation."

A sixth priest was arrested in September by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

Miller was pastor of Guardian Angel from 1973 to 1984, when he was transferred to Santa Clara



OUSTED: Miller was forced to retire from priesthood in 1997.

Church in Oxnard Investigators allege that he abused victims in the rectory, at: a beach house, and at their homes.

Officials for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Los Angeles said Miller was forced to retire in 1997 after an allegation [See Priest, Page B8]

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By Patrick McGreevy

During the period that a Mattel Inc. executive laundered \$120,714 in political contributions to federal campaigns, the firm lobbled for, and in some cases won, congressional approval of bills to ease U.S. Customs procedures and reduce tarins on certain toys, according to government records.

The executive Fermin Cura. also made some of the laundered contributions to national Democratic Party committees and leaders at a time when he was being discussed in the trade industryes a possible contender for an appointment by President Cifeton to head the U.S. Customs Service

Cuza dropped out of contention for the federal post after Mattel gave him a promotion. He

# For Giuliani, a Pot of Gold at the End of Sept. 111

n the long list of politicians, talking heads, authors and other profiteers who turned. the Sept. 11 massacre into gold, one man makes all the others look like pikers, and he's on his way to Los Angeles as we speak.

Tragedy has been very, very good to Rudy Giuliani, who is using it to transform himself from annoying brute to American hero. If he keeps cashing in, who knows? Maybe the former New York mayor can turn enough of a profit to run for president one day.

Before Sept. 11, Giuliani

was a cranky pol whose stock was so low, he shrank away from a U.S. Senate fight with Hillary Clinton, and his estranged wife wouldn't let him 14 . 3 . 4 . 7 in the house.

Today his crisis consulting firm rakes in millions of dollars a month, he's got a \$2.7-million book deal, and UCLA will be the latest stop tomorrow night on a national tour that nets Giuliani a reported \$100,000 for a one-hour speech.

That's \$1,666 a minute, and projections for Giuliani's speech-making haul in 2002 alone have run as high as \$10

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million. It must be a terrific speech, and I didn't know if I could wait until tomorrow. I thought I'd pass a hat and rent Rudy for five or ten minutes tonight, but when I called his handlers I couldn't get any-

Don't get me wrong. Giuliani handled that horrible day, and the weeks that followed, with grace under pressure. But what can be say in a onehour speech that's worth two years of salary for a teacher or 35 a cop?

I thought I'd call L.A. Police Chief Bill Bratton for an explanation, since Bratton used to

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report to Giuliani in New York But our new chief, barely six weeks on the job was moonlighting in Israel making a speech on traffic fatalities

Do these New Yorkers ever turn of the meter? And by the way, how high a priority can traffic fatalities be right now in Igrael?

Having said that, I'd still ask Bratton to be my date for Giuliani's speech if he makes it back from his jaywalking lecture in time. No teiling what might happen if you put these two guys in the same room.

Bratton, who also wrote a book about himself — same as



tims of sexual abuse

committed to the healing of vicramberg said the archdiocese is

# 01H0208 clergy. "No priest who has been found to have abused a minor will ever be reassigned to the ministry, period, he said. "We will continue to cooperate with

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Miller's attorney. Donald Steler, said his client is innocent not sure he had been molested. ball. He said one of the victims first told authorities that he was to file charges and lacks the resources to make Prosecutors said they expect Wednesday

> priests with child molestation. rent or former Los Angeles have already charged five curmany as 20 counts. Prosecutors

Former priest Carlos Rodri-guez, 37, of Commerce twas charged with molesting an alter boy from 1985 to 1987 when he served at 18t. Vincent de Faul

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Retired Priest Faces Sexual Abuse Charges

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# been scarred for life. The suit, seeking unspecif

phen Baker, 54, was arrested by \$1.5 million in June after the sheriff's deputies Sept. 25 and made similar allegations against has pleaded not guilty to 29 the same priest known of the molestation. damages, alleges the church was negligent in its supervision of the priest. Jeffrey Anderson, one of Sanchez's attorneys, that church officials must be Both sides said the archdlo

# Nurses OK Union Pact Long Beach Memoria

From a Times Staff Will

Tuesday to ratify a tentative contract that provides an av-Registered nurses at Long in Southern California, said Beach Memorial Medical Cen. David Johnson, a union erage 21% wage increase over ter woted overwhelmingly hree years and improves re-

thement beneate, which agreement, hammered out Suhday by negotiators for the hospital and the California in February and staged two one-day strikes this fall. registered nurses, who began Long Beach Memorial's 1,300 Nurses Assn., is the first for negotiations with the hospital 77, nurses have not belonged union.

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Memorial Health Services Long Beach Memorial has 74 Medical Center, is the second beds and, after Cedars-Sina One of five hospitals run by

# UALLY WAS 11 GIT DOW

# Retired Valley priest arrested

By Ryan Oliver Staff Writer

A retired priest who served in the San Fernando Valley and Ventura County was arrested Tuesday on suspicion of molesting two boys while he was assigned to Guardian Angel Church in Pacoima, authorities said.

The Rev. George Michael Miller, 64, was picked up about 7:20 a.m. at the Oxnard mobile home, where he lives with his sister, officials said.

Miller, who retired from the priesthood in 1997, was booked on suspicion of committing a lewd act with a child, sodomy with a child under 14 and oral copulation, officials said. He was being held at the Los Angeles Police Department's Parker Center with bail set at \$500,000.

"He was arrested without incident," said Lt. Dan Mulrenin, head of the LAPD's Sexually Exploited Child Unit. "He's not talking to us; he's being represented by counsel. There was no interrogation."

The investigation of Miller began in May, after a man told police that Miller sexually abused him in the 1980s when he was a child and an altar boy at Guardian Angel Church. A month later, a second man told officers that Miller sexually assaulted him for three years, beginning in 1973.

In a previous interview with the Daily News, the second man said

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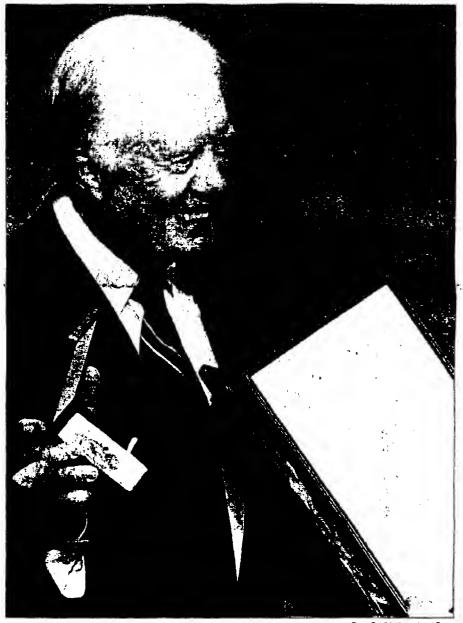
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# DAILY NEWS LINE

In today's Daily News, you'll find the Daily News Line question and results on Page 2.

# **NOBEL MOMENT**



Dave Caulkin/Associated Press

Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter, 78, whose energetic humanitarian efforts have gained him worldwide affection since his lopsided re-election defeat in 1980, shows off the Nobel Peace Prize awarded to him Tuesday in Norway. See Page 13.

# **Overflow crowd delays Ahm**

By Grace Lee Staff Writer

VENTURA — Overflow crowds packed the hearing room Tuesday where Ventura County supervisors weighed the fate of the 3,050-home Ahmanson Ranch development.

# **Ex-Valley priest** jailed in sex case

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Miller molested him for three years, beginning when he was in the third grade at Guardian Angel Church. The molestation took place at a Malibu beach house owned by a local mortuary that allowed priests to use the home for a retreat. he said.

"Here was this man that was practically regarded as God, and he treated me like his little toy," said the man, a Valley resident now in his 30s. "This whole time this was happening, I felt a tre-mendous fear. I don't know if I feared him or my family finding out. It was just fear."

Miller's attorney, Don Steier, said he questions the man's account because he's given contradictory statements in the past.

Steier said he's also concerned that Miller will not have the funds to hire a private attorney for any future criminal defense.

"I've been representing him for anything pre-arrestrelated," Steier said. "He has paid me as he has been able to: he writes checks here and there for a few hundred dollars. But he doesn't have any means. He resides in a trailer.'

"He's an American Indian, but unfortunately he joined the priesthood, and is, that there may have been

therefore, an Indian without any financial resources."

If charged, Miller would be the sixth priest facing prosecution in Los Angeles County for sexually molesting a juvenile. Five of those cases were investigated by Los Angeles police while the other was handled by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

"I think the fact we have arrested five priests is indicative of the fact we're taking this very seriously," Mulrenin

The Los Angeles Police Department has taken 140 complaints against 64 priests since earlier this year, when a sex scandal rocked the Catholic Archdiocese of Boston and gave the issue of pedophile priests national attention.

The Sheriff's Department has fielded additional complaints against 26 priests by more than 50 people.

Miller was ordained in 1963 and served at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Santa Clarita, San Buenaventura Mission Church in Ventura and St. Philomena in Carson before arriving at Guardian Angel in 1973.

He served there until 1984, when he was transferred to Santa Clara Church in Oxnard. He went on sick leave in 1996 and retired in 1997.

Mulrenin said he worries

Five other current or former Los Angeles-area :.. priests have been charged with having sexual relations with juveniles:

Michael Stephen Baker: 16 counts of oral copulation with a minor and 14 counts of committing a lewd act on a child under 3.

Carlos Rene Rodriguez: Eight counts of committing a lewd act on a child. under 14.

George Neville Rucker: 23 counts of committing a lewd act on a child under ... 14. He was arrested while at aboard a cruise ship.

**■ John Anthony Salazart**≦ Two counts of oral copulation with a minor. He remains at large, and authorities believe he is in: Canada.

Matthew Michael Sprouffske: Four counts of molestation involving a child under 14. He was " arrested last month in Illinois and is awaiting extradition to Los Angeles.

other victims during Miller's career and urged anyone with information to come forward.

"It's been our experience that people that are sexual predators of children, they normally offend (with) many, many children," Mulrenin said. "They don't just do it once and stop."

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harvested, destroying the bi tocysts before they're impla ed, Weissman said. He s Stanford will use the stem c only to study disease, and . not implant any cells to grown into organs or ot body parts.

Many other researchers this is a distinction withou difference — that this kind nuclear transfer, which we create an exact genetic rep of the adult cell donor allowed to grow, is in cloning.

The American Associatio Medical Colleges, of wi Stanford is a member, def it this way:

Somatic Cell Nuclear Tr fer (SCNT) or therapeutic c ing involves removing nucleus of an unfertilized cell, replacing it with the m rial from the nucleus of a matic cell' (a skin, heart nerve cell, for example), stimulating this cell to t dividing."

Weissman said his pla research is "not even close cloning.

Similar research has done at the University of fornia, San Francisco, w ultimately closed down its gram as its lead researcher preparing to leave for Eng

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# Glendale man files suit, says he's 9-year victim

By Nicholas Grudin Staff Writer

GLENDALE - A Glendale man filed suit Tuesday against the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, claiming he was molested by a priest over à nine-year

bach and settled with the archdiocese earlier this year for \$1.5 million.

The archdiocese denied any knowledge of wrongdoing by Haggenbach.

'---- dust ---anding Father Raymond Boucher.

similar claims against Haggen- and as the chaplain at Lanterman Hospital in Pomona.

Sanchez's lawsuit would be among the first to fall under a new California law that waives the statute of limitations for sexual-abuse cases involving "We've never had a report of the church, said his attorney

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**PACOIMA** 

# Retired priest charged in sex case

By Ryan Oliver Staff Writer

with 19 felony counts Thursday accusing him of molesting two boys in the 1970s and 1980s ian Angels Catholic Church in retired priest was charged when he was assigned to Guard-Pacoima.

day afternoon, where a judge granted Miller's request to delay his plea until Jan. 2. nando Superior Court on Thurs-The Rev. George Michael Miller, 64, appeared in San Fer-

Part of the reason for the Court in March challenging the the alleged incident happened many years ago. The lawsuit country to go after priests up in the Catholic to be heard by the U.S. Supreme constitutionality of prosecutors to file charges in sex cases where could deal a serious blow to the ability of prosecutors across the plans to join a lawsuit scheduled requested delay was that Miller Church's sexual abuse scandal. caught

"It'll affect a lot of cases," er. "The decent thing for the said Miller's attorney, Don Steidistrict attorney to do would be to wait until that matter is resolved before putting everyone else through the process."

The case scheduled to be stems from an Antioch man charged with molesting his two heard by the Supreme Court

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daughters from the 1950s to

in 1994, the state passed a law that removed the statute of limitations for child molestation The statute of limitations for sexual offenses is 10 years, but cases involving "substantial sexual conduct."

Miller is one of six priests fac-

County for sexual abuse of a ing charges in Los Angeles Miller was arrested Tuesday juvenile.

On Thursday, he was charged with 11 counts of lewd acts on a 14, and three counts of sex perversions with a child under 14. lewd and lascivious acts with a child under 14, four counts of of sodomy with a person under child under 14, and one count at his mobile home in Oxnard

Prosecutors asked for bail to be set at \$1 million, but the udge kept the original amount of \$500,000. Steier argued for his client to receive a \$150,000 bail, but, he said, the issue was likely a moot point because his client has no money anyway.

all or his history," Steier said. "He's certainly no flight risk or "The bail amount the prosecution asked for was ridiculous. It was not based on the man at threat to the community."

standard bail amount for the ing Miller in May when a man District Attorney's Office spokeswoman Sandi Gibbons said her office was only seeking

case.



Retired Catholic priest George Michael Miller, left, appears at an arraignment in San Fernando Superior Court on Thursday with his lawyer, Donald Steier, where he was charged with 19 felony Hans Guthnecht/Staff Photographer counts of molesting two boys in the 1970s and 1980s.

Miller also sought to delay his plea because he lacks the money and he needs to find permanent counsel. Steier said other attorneys in the areas have expressed to retain Steier as his attorney

an interest in taking Miller's Police first began investigat-

Guardian Angel said he was molested by the priest in the 1980s. In June, a man who attended school at Guardian Angel in the 1970s told police who was a former altar boy at he was molested by Miller.

priesthood in 1997, also served Miller, who retired from the at other churches in Carson and Ventura County.

said there was overwhelming prevented a fair trial. The judge evidence against Stayner and that the devastating emotional tol justified execution.

Juli, 15; and their Argentine friend, Silvina Pelosso, 16, while outside the gates of Yosemite A jury rejected Stayner's insanity defense this summer and convicted him of murdering Carole Sund, 42; her daughter they stayed at the rustic motel where he worked in February 6661

Stayner, 41, is already serving parole for murdering a Yosemite a federal life sentence without nature guide six months after the tourists vanished.

so close to black and white, and evil and good as Stayner and our children," said Francis Carrington, the father of Carole Sund and grandfather of Juli. "I'm so "I've never seen anything that's lived, and I'm so ashamed of proud of the way Carole and Juli

The case automatically will be appealed to the state Supreme Court and is expected to spend many years in higher courts. Stayner."

inside the Santa Clara County After the sentencing, some of the jurors hugged Carrington Courthouse. Jose Pelosso, the but smiled as Carrington flashed father of Silvina, was teary-eyed a thumbs-up signal outside.

Stayner's father, Delbert Stayner, said his son was deprived and a judge who ignored defense of a fair trial by a "kangaroo court arguments.

The elder Stayner, whose other son, Steven, was kidnapped by a

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# SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
Plaintiff.

. v.

CASE NO. PA042836

SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM APPLICATION FOR SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM CRIMINAL

01 GEORGE MICHAEL MILLER

Defendants(s).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO: CUSTODIAN OF RECORDS, THE ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHBISHOP OF LOS ANGELES, A CORPORATION SOLE, (ALSO IDENTIFIED AS THE ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES), CUSTODIAN OF RECORDS.

You are commanded to attend a session of LA SAN FERNANDO COURT of the County of Los Angeles to be held at the Courtroom of Division 130 located at 900 THIRD ST., SAN FERNANDO, CA 91340, County of Los Angeles on January 2, 2003 at 08:30 a.m., then and there to testify as a witness in this action on the part of Plaintiff and that you then and there produce the documents now in your custody or under your control, described in the copy of the application for subpoena duces tecum attached hereto which is incorporated herein by reference.

You must appear at the time unless you make a special agreement to appear another time, etc., with.

REDACTED

Deputy District Attorney, at phone number REDACTED

Failure to appear on the date set forth herein or at such other time or upon such notice as may have been agreed to with the party at whose request this subpoena was issued may be punished as contempt by this court. You may also be liable for the sum of five hundred dollars and all damages to such party resulting from your failure to attend. (Penal Code Section 1331, 1331.5)

DISOBEDIENCE OF THIS SUBPOENA MAY BE PUNISHED BY A FINE, IMPRISONMENT, OR BOTH. A WARRANT MAY BE ISSUED FOR YOUR ARREST IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR.

DATED: December 18, 2002



Respectfully submitted, STEVE COOLEY District Attorney REDACTED

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Deputy District Attorney

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# APPLICATION FOR SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, County of Los Angeles

The undersigned states: That he/she is attorney of record for the People of the State of California in the above-titled action; that said cause was duly set down for trial on January 2, 2003 at 08:30 a.m., in Division 130 of the above-entitled Court.

That Custodian of Records of the ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHBISHOP OF THE LOS ANGELES, A CORPORATION SOLE, (ALSO IDENTIFIED AS THE ARCHDIOCES OF LOS ANGELES) has in his/her possession or under his/her control the following documents:

All documents and other materials that are in the possession, custody, or control of the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles, a corporation sole, (also identified as the Archdiocese of Los Angeles) that relate in any way to allegations of child molestation or sexual abuse committed by George Michael Miller.

The subpoenaed documents and other materials include, but are not limited to, documents in the general archives, general files, secret archives, secret files, sub secreto files or archives, personnel files, confidential files, c-files, locked files, and investigative files as well as memoranda, correspondence, reports, evaluations, interviews, statements, notes, contracts, agreements, settlement agreements, confidentiality agreements, and records of payment relating in any way to allegations of child molestation and sexual abuse committed by George Michael Miller.

The subpoensed documents and other materials include, but are not limited to all jocundness in hard copy paper form or stored electronically in computers; printouts of information stored in computers or other retention or processing systems; computer files; e-mail communications; photographs; sound reproduction material in any form; and any manner that is related in any way to allegations of child molestation or sexual abuse committed by George Michael Miller.

The subpoenaed documents and other material include, but are not limited to, all records pertaining to the assignment history and, if applicable, the transfer of George Michael Miller from one parish to another.

The subpoenaed documents are to be provided regardless of their location within the Archdiocese of Los Angeles or within the custody or control of the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles including, but not limited to, any Archdiocese administrative office, archival storage facility, storage facility, parish, rectory, mission, residence, or school.

The subpoenaed documents or material include any "green page", "green sheet", or "green card", from personnel files, or other files indicating that information is on file or located elsewhere. If documents or other material have been moved outside of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, a declaration shall be prepared identifying the documents or other materials that were transferred, when the documents or other materials were transferred, the location where the documents and other materials were transferred, and who was involved with the transfer. All documentation pertaining to the transfer is requested.

Any subpoenaed document and other material considered to be privileged shall be produced with a detailed statement describing the item for which a privilege is asserted, the subject matter of the item for which a privilege is asserted, the names of all individuals appearing on the item for which a privilege is asserted, and the basis for the asserted privilege.

That the above documents are material to the issues involved in the case by reason of the following facts:

I, REDACTED being a Deputy District Attorney for the County of Los Angeles, has been informed by REDACTED a sworn peace officer, as defined by Penal Code Section 830.1,

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employed by the Los Angeles Police Department, currently assigned to the Juvenile Division's Sexually Exploited Child Unit, investigating cases involving allegations of child sexual abuse by Catholic priests, of the following:

She is the lead Investigating Officer in the case involving defendant George Michael Miller, Superior Court Case Number PA042836. In connection with her investigation of the defendant, she interviewed two victims who allege that they were sexually abused by the defendant when they were children. These victims are not related nor acquainted with each other. Both victims met the defendant while they were students at the Guardian Angel Church in Pacoima.

One victim informed Officer REDACTED that he was continuously sexually abused from the age of 9 to the age of 14. The victim reported that the defendant would masturbate him, sodomize him, and orally copulate him, along with making the victim masturbate the defendant. Around the age of 14, the victim noticed that the defendant would also take his younger brother on overnight trips and began to suspect that his brother was also being victimized by the defendant.

During adulthood, this victim learned that his younger brother was in fact also sexually abused by the defendant. In response, sometime in 1996, this victim contacted the Archdiocese and reported the abuse of his younger brother to Msgr. Richard Loomis. Based on this information, it is believed that documentation pertaining to the report of abuse would exist and be in the possession of the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles.

In connection with this case, Los Angeles Department Police Detective James Brown, a swom peace officer, as defined by Penal Code Section 830.1, a Senior Detective and Supervisor of the Juvenile Division's Sexually Exploited Child Unit, interviewed Msgr. Richard Loomis. Msgr. Loomis stated that in early 1996 he was the Vicar of Clergy for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. He recalled having numerous telephone conversations with the victim regarding accusations of sexual abuse committed by the defendant against he victim's brother. In June of 1996, Msgr. Loomis arranged for a conference call between the victim and the defendant. Msgr. Loomis was in the room with the defendant on speakerphone with the victim. Msgr. Loomis recalls the victim confronting the defendant and asking if the defendant if he remembered wrestling with the victim. When the defendant said he did the victim then asked if the defendant remembered "touching me down there?" Msgr. Loomis stated that the defendant became very emotional and terminated the call. Based on the information, it is believed that documentation pertaining to the report of abuse would exist and be in the possession of the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles.

After the speakerphone conversation, Msgr. Loomis confronted the defendant about wrestling with the victim, in violation of church policy. After the defendant admitted to wrestling with the victim on numerous occasions, Msgr. Loomis asked the defendant to submit to a psychological evaluation and to cease his pastoral duties until the evaluation was completed. The defendant was sent to St. Michaels in St. Louis, Missouri for his psychological evaluation. Based on information contained in the evaluation report, Msgr. Loomis, along with other individuals involved in the administration of the Archdiocese determined that they would ask the defendant to leave active ministry. Msgr. Loomis indicated that the evaluation was placed in the defendant's confidential file or c-file. Based on this information, it is believed that documentation pertaining to the report of abuse would exist and be in the possession of the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles.

Sometime in early 2002, a relative of the victim spoke with an individual identified as REDACTED of the Archdiocese inquiring about the defendant in order to determine if he was still working as a priest. During that telephone conversation, REDACTED advised the victim's relative that the defendant was no longer with the ministry and that several victims had called the Archdiocese to report abuse. Based on this information, it is believed that documentation pertaining to the report of abuse exists and is in the possession of the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles. Specifically, it is believed that the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles possesses reports of documents that identify additional individuals who have reported sexual abuse of molestation by the defendant.

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LOS ANGELES

# After Being Shot in Head Girl, 17, Hospitalized

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a newer model, gold Chevrolet are searching for three people in peared to be gang-related. They Police said the shooting ap-

# Retired Priest Charged LOS ANGELES

in a Third Abuse Case

was charged Wednesday with two boys in the 1970s and '80s A retired Roman Catholic priest charged with molesting

Oxnard is expected to abusing a third minor. George Michael Miller, 64, of

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hood in 1996, according to the forced to retire from the priestnando Superior Court. He was Archdlocese of Los Angeles. aigned March 18 in San Fer-

volving a third boy. tional charges Wednesday colma's Guardian Angel Church them when they attended Pa-Prosecutors filed five addi-

Two men allege he abused

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# Program Will Expand **Teacher Credentialing**

years while they are working in graduates become fully credencareer changers and new college Wednesday announced the extialed teachers within three pansion of a program that helps School Supt. Roy Romer on

mentor. Romer said the program while teaching with the help of a earn their credential tuition-free program, which allows people to enrolled in the district intern will expand to 1,800 slots for the This year, 1,000 teachers are

Wilshire Grand Hotel in L.A. be held at 9 a.m. Saturday at the An informational meeting will

upcoming school year.

Man Waives in '57 Slayings Extradition

cused of killing two El Segundo police officers 45 years ago California for trial. clearing the way for his return to waived extradition Wednesday A Columbia, S.C., man ac-

to block testing of a DNA sample a hearing," said Chris Mills, the old Gerald Mason. attorney representing 69-yearthrough the time and expense of Mason also gave up his fight "We opted not to put the state

til March 6, when Los Angeles County sheriffs deputies will bring him to California. trial, Mason will be allowed to remain in custody in Columbia untaken when he was arrested. In exchange for a speedier

because he is a low flight risk. Mason shouid be released on bail Mills had argued earlier that

was charged in the 1957 slayings FBI database to match an old fingerprint from the investigaice used a 2-year-old national and arrested in January after po-The retired gas station owner

cated it would not cover the was filed by former borrowers and just after the bank's largest Urban Development, had indi-U.S. Department of Housing and came as a flurry of lawsuits the matter plunged it into finanlion loan. The bank's funder, the borrower defaulted on a \$24-miljudgment against the bank, so technology and a new approach with new state-of-the-art for early disease detection: in providing the community

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# FATHER GEORGE MILLER NEEDS OUR HELP!

The Fr. Miller Legal Trust was recently started by a support group of families from Guardian Angel Parish in Pacoima CA. Fr. Miller has ministered at the following parishes: Our Lady Of Perpetual Help in Newhall Ca., Santa Chara Chapel in Oxnard Ca., and St. Philomena in Carson Ca. Fr. was also appointed as chaplain for the Los Angeles Police Department Foothill Division. We would like you to know that Fr Miller has faithfully sarved the people from all these areas. Our group is comprised of further Guardian Angel Youth Group members who were ministered to by Fr. Miller through a variety of parish and school functions. Many of these former students, alter buys, and athletes are now established, successful adults who contribute to the Church and community.

After serving God for over thirty years, Fr. Miller retired because of medical reasons, but was still active in perish life. Regrettably, he has recently come under attack and has been accused of a crime that allegedly occurred over twenty years ago. These allegations bring potentially serious consequences for Fr. Miller. Ironically, those members of our group that were around Fr. Miller during that time period speak only of positive experiences with him, and are those who are speaking the hudgest in surport of him.

Because of Fr. Miller's positive impact on our lives, and our family's lives, and in the interest of righteousness, we are asking for financial contributions to fund his defense. One of the reasons that we feel called to support Fr. Miller is because of his unending generosity to so many of us throughout his priesthood. Contributions of any amount would be grently appreclated and applied entirely to Father's defense effort.

Thank you for your time, and please remember Fr. Miller, his accusers, and all of us in your prayers.

For further details contact us at REDACTED to Fr. Miller Legel Trust, REDACTED

or send contributions

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FROM : Guardian Angel Rectory

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# "Where two or more are gathered"

Many of us have been uneasy about the incessant reports of abuse in the Catholic Church. The voracious media appetite for sensation feels more like an assault on a faith community than a concern for victims. However, we were not moved to action until one of our own members was caught up in the witchhunt.

Last year, Father George Miller was accused of abusing two boys in the 70's and 80's at Guardian Angel Parish in Pacoima, California. Immediately a group of Parish and former-Parish members began meeting to try and determine how to provide him whatever support he needed to make sure that he could defend himself against the injustice. Our group includes former altar boys who served with him during the time period of the alleged abuse, former schoolchildren from that time period, men and women who served in parish and school volunteer leadership during those years, and comples who were married by him. Guardian Angel was a close-knit community and we all know that Father Miller is innocent.

Summed, some of us were angry that anyone could accuse a faithful servant who had devoted his life to caring for others. Some of us questioned where was the Church in his hour of need? — and then slowly we came to realize that WE are the Church. And we haven't abandoned the man who brought the Lord into our lives and helped us to strengthen our faith and guided us through dangerous and confusing times. Although we are suffering because our friend and mentor is suffering, we can appreciate that the Lord is with us, teaching us, caring for us, guiding us, uplifting us. Already we have witnessed the Grace of a broken community reconnecting, our faith strengthened by the fight for justice, our silence broken as we express our rigorous belief in this man of God.

We have bended together with parishioners from Santa Clara Chapel in Oxnard and Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Newhall where Father Miller also served. Together we attend his court appearances. Some members have provided the assets and cash to make sure that Father can remain out of jail on beil. Although we are not wealthy communities, together we have raised more than \$25,000 through numerous private donations, yard sales, BBQ dinners, and pancake breakfasts. When \$10,000 was needed to retain an attorney for Father Miller's Hearing we felt fortunate to have the funds available. But, we need to raise at least another \$25,000 in the coming months to cover legal costs.

We are writing to you today because we need your help. If you can contribute any amount to this cause it will help us help one of your own. Our actions to support Father Miller are neither blind nor irrational. We realize that there are priests who are accused with just cause. But, Father Miller is not one of those priests. We are sure that you are aware that every priest is endangered by the reckless media pursuit of sensational stories and improved ratings, as well as the lucustive political rewards for prosecuting attorneys. If you were an innocent man injustly accused, wouldn't you hope for a faith community that would work hard and search everywhere for the resources to defend you?

We have established a legal trust fund account, a post office box, an email address and a web presence. We can keep all donations confidential, if requested. Please send your check made payable to the Father Miller Legal Trust (or money order) to the Fr. Miller Legal Trust REDACTED

Please gather with us to accomplish the Lord's Will. We appreciate any contribution that you can afford and ask that you keep Father Miller, his accusers, and all of us in your prayers.

In Christ's Love,

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The Father Miller Legal Trust friends

Fr. Miller Logal Trust REDACTED

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# MINUTE ORDER

MUNICIPAL COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DATE PRINTED: 08/13/03

CASE NO. PA042836

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA VS.

DEFENDANT 01: GEORGE MICHAEL MILLER

RECEIPT OR SURETY COMPANY REGISTER BAIL: APPEARANCE AMOUNT DATE OF BAIL POSTED BOND NO. . NUMBER DATE

\$500.000.00 12/16/02 R50011794553 RANGER INSURANCE CO. 42350001 01/02/03 CASE FILED ON 12/12/02.

COMPLAINT FILED, DECLARED OR SWORN TO CHARGING DEFENDANT WITH HAVING COMMITTED. ON OR ABOUT 02/25/81 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THE FOLLOWING OFFENSE(S) OF:

COUNT 01: 288(A) PC FEL LEWD ACTS WITH CHILD UNDER 14. - LEWD ACTS WITH CHILD UNDER 14. COUNT 02: 288(A) PC FEL COUNT 03: 288(A) PC FEL - LEWD ACTS WITH CHILD UNDER 14. COUNT 04: 288(A) PC FEL - LEWD ACTS WITH CHILD UNDER 14. - LEWD ACTS WITH CHILD UNDER 14. COUNT 05: 288(A) PC FEL COUNT 06: 288(A) PC FEL COUNT 07: 288(A) PC FEL - LEWD ACTS WITH CHILD UNDER 14. - LEWD ACTS WITH CHILD UNDER 14. - LEWD ACTS WITH CHILD UNDER 14. COUNT 08: 288(A) PC FEL COUNT 09: 288(A) PC FEL - LEWD ACTS WITH CHILD UNDER 14. COUNT 10: 288(A) PC FEL COUNT 11: 288(A) PC FEL - LEWD ACTS WITH CHILD UNDER 14. - LEWD ACTS WITH CHILD UNDER 14. COUNT 12: 286(C) PC FEL - SODMY W/PRSN<14/AGNST VCTM/FRC. COUNT 13: 288 PC FEL - COMMIT LEWD ACTS\*.

COUNT 14: 288A PC FEL - ORAL COPULATION. COUNT 15: 288 PC FEL - COMMIT LEWD ACTS\*. COUNT 16: 288A PC FEL - ORAL COPULATION. COUNT 17: 288 PC FEL - COMMIT LEWD ACTS\*. COUNT 18: 288A PC FEL - ORAL COPULATION.

ON 08/13/03 AT 130 PM IN SAN FERNANDO COURTHOUSE DIV 132

CASE CALLED FOR PRELIM SETTING/RESETTING

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PARTIES: REDACTED

DEFENDANT IS PRESENT IN COURT, AND REPRESENTED BYREDACTED COUNSEL

> PRELIM SETTING/RESET HEARING DATE: 08/13

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THE PEOPLE'S MOTION TO DISMISS PURSUANT TO PENAL CODE SECTION 1385 IS HEARD AND GRANTED.

THE COURT'S RULING IS PURSUANT TO THE PRECEDENT LAID DOWN IN STOGNER V. CALIFORNIA (2003), (123 S. CT. 2446).

NEXT SCHEDULED EVENT: PROCEEDINGS TERMINATED

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# BRIEFLY

# Bus breaks down on trip to Six Flags

NORTH HILLS — Twenty children were evacuated without injury Wednesday when a school bus carrying them to Six Flags California, Valencia, caught fire and then broke down, according to the California Highway Patrol.

The Laidlaw Transit vehicle had left the Cheviot Hills Recreation Center in West Los Angeles and was headed north on the San Diego Freeway, near the Nordhoff Street off-ramp fire broke out about 12:30 p.m., officials said.

- City News Service

# L.A. airports exec to quit in autumn

Lydia H. Kennard has announced her intention to resign as executive director of Los Angeles World Airports this fall to consider opportunities in the private sector after nearly adecade of public service.

Kennard, who was appointed to the position in March 2000 after serving as interim executive director since August 1999, said she told Mayor James Hahn of her decision and pledged to work closely with him, his staff and the Board of Airport Commissioners on a transition of leadership for the system of four airports owned by the city.

- Daily News

# MTA, mechanics ordered to cool off

A Los Angeles judge Wednesday ordered a 60-day cooling-off period in contract talks between the Metropolitan Transportation Authority and its mechanics union.

-- City News Service

# Gas station loses liquor-license bid

PACOIMA — The Los Angeles City Council voted unanimously Wednesday to block a liquor license for an Arco gas station minimarket, agreeing with neighbors who said the arca along San Fernando Road already has enough places to buy alcoholic beverages.

The action affects the gas station at 11243 San Fernando Rd., just north of the 118 Freeway.

- Daily News

# campus of California State University, Channel Islands, at Camarillo.

The three-day festival, to run through Sunday, will feature Spanky Wilson, The Estrada Brothers and Teka and her Brazilian "new bossa" jazz.

Tickets for the Friday night preview and reception are \$50. Prices for Saturday and Sunday are \$25 presale and \$30 at the gate.

For more information:(805) 383-1368 or artandjazz@ studiochannelislands.org.

- Daily News

# State drops case against ex-priest

SAN FERNANDO — Child-molestation charges were dropped Wednesday against a former Catholic priest, marking the ninth such case dismissed in Los Angeles County in recent weeks.

The prosecution of George Michael Miller was dropped by state request in light of a recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling involving an extended statute of limitations.

- City News Service

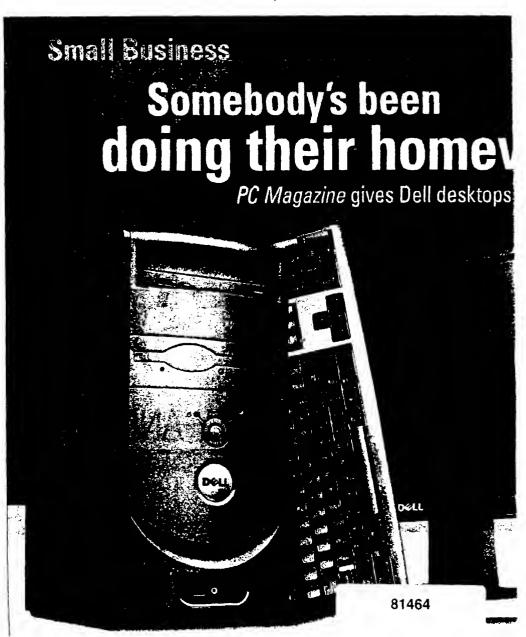
# Diaz photos lead to owner's arrest

A photographer was charged Wednesday with using 10-year-old photos of Cameron Diaz to try to extort \$3.3 million from the actress.

John Rutter, 41, was arrested Tuesday at his Venice apartment.

Rutter has said that he contacted Diaz's attorneys to offer them first right of refusal for the photographs before trying to sell them to media outlets.

- Associated Press



# 6 Alleged Molesters Were Priests in the Same Oxnard Parish, Suit Says

A lawyer for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles denies that Santa Clara Church was a 'dumping ground' for pedophile clergy.

By JEAN GUCCIONE Times Staff Writer

At least six priests who are secured of molesting children worked or spent time at the same parish, Santa Clara Roman Catholic Church in Oxnard, between 1962 and 1996, accordirie to a lawsuit filed against the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

The suit was filed on behalf of 16 men and a woman who say they were molested as children by five of those priests between 1969 and 1985.

"It is doubtful any child could have grown up at Santa Clara Parish from the 1960s through the 1990s without being exposed to a pedophile priest," attorney Raymond P. Boucher wrote in the lawsuit, filed in Los Angeles County Superior Court.

The six priests — Donald Patrick Roemer, George Miller, Carl Sutphin, Roderic Guerrini, Stephen Hernandez and Gerald Fessard - were "some of the most prolific pedophiles within the Los Angeles Archdiocese," the lawsuit states.

Roemer and Fessard are convicted child molesters, according to the civil complaint. Child molestation charges against Miller and Sutphin were dropped this year after the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the sex-abuse allegations against them were too old to prosecute. Neither Guerrini nor Hernandez has been charged with crimes.

Although the sult focuses on the Santa Clara Parish, only four of the plaintiffs were parishioners there during the time they say they were sexually abused by priests, according to the complaint. Seven others were allegedly abused by priests who were later transferred to the Oxnard church; the others say they were molested by priests once connected with the par-

Although Fessard is mentioned in the suit, none of the plaintiffs allege they were abused by him. He was assigned to Santa Clara from 1977 to 1980.

Together, the six priests mentioned in the suit have at least 55 alleged victims, the suit contends.

I suppose somebody could say it is coincidental, but the facts really speak for themselves," Boucher said Monday.

J. Michael Hennigan, attorney for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, denied that

the Oxnard church was a dumping ground for pedophile priests. Further, most of the allegations made in the lawsuit were about incidents that took place before Cardinal Roger Mahony became archbishop, he said.

"I cannot even begin to speculate how multiple offenders get together in one place," he said, adding that it is "inconcelvable" that someone would have know-

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"I don't believe in coincidence," Hennigan said. "There is an explanation about how this occurred. I just don't know what it is. But I reject the idea of a dumping ground."

Boucher blamed the Archdiocese of Los Angeles for failing to protect children from the alleged sexual abuse they suffered at the hands of the accused priests.

The lawsuit alleges that the

archdiocese was negligent in its hiring, retention and supervision of the priests and failed to warn parents about the potential dangers the men posed to children.

It also alleges that archdiocese the breached its fiduciary duty to protect children who attended churches church-owned

schools, and alleges that many of the sexual assaults took place on archdiocese property.

Daniel Smith, the lead plaintiff in the case, said he was 9 when he met Roemer

at catechism classes at St. Paschal Baylon Church in Thousand Oaks. They bonded over sports.

"He was the lovable Father Pat," Smith recalled. "I trusted him because that's what I was taught."

Roemer began sexually abusing Smith in 1980 on the church grounds, according to the lawsuit. The abuse stopped a year later when Roemer was arrested for molesting other boys, Smith

Roemer, who was convicted of molesting boys in 1981, was a fixture at the Santa Clara Parish while he was attending nearby St. John's Seminary in Camarillo throughout the 1960s, according to the lawsuit.

Another plaintiff, who asked that his name not be published, said he and his brother were molested by Miller while they attended elementary school at Guardian Angel Catholic Church in Pacoima.

He said he came forward after prosecutors were forced to drop their criminal case against Miller when the Supreme Court ruled that a California law extending the statute of limitations in such cases was unconstitutional.

"It left us no choice," he said.

"It's not Miller I am upset with. He is a sick individual," the man said. "I'm upset with the people who are not sick, those who have purposefully lacked recognition, responsibility for what they did."

Miller was transferred to Santa Clara in 1984, after he allegedly molested the brothers at Guardian Angel, where he was

The lawsuit also alleges that Sutphin molested three boys at St. Rose of Lima in Maywood from 1962 to 1973; two at St. Mary Magdalen in Camarillo from 1972 to 1975; and twin brothers at St. John's Regional Medical Center in Oxnard in 1977, while Sutphin was regularly saying Mass at Santa Clara Church.

The suit accuses Guerrini and Hernandez of molesting a girl and a boy, respectively, while they were assigned to Santa Clara Parish in the 1970s.

# Orange County Expected to Keep **Interim Top Executive Until 2005**

Search for permanent chief administrator is put on hold. The man who came out of

Ruth has held the executive officer's job on an interim basis since January, managing the county's 18,000 employees and \$4.8-billion budreplaced Michael

board. The most promising prospect ZBW Riverside County chief executive Larry Parrish, who declined because his retirement package there was more lucrative than Orange County could offer



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# INTERNAL REPORT - CONFIDENTIAL

ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES SEXUAL ABUSE/MISCONDUCT

Date:	11/4/03	REDACTED From:
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Alleg	ed Perpetrator:	7. Deorge Miller
Alleg	ed Victim/Complaina	REDACTED
Date	of Occurrence (as re	ported):
Brief	Description:F	REDACTED . reported 11/3/03
	<u>_</u>	he sexually abused.
		Brothers (3) had reported
Type	of Report:	larlier abuse
	Mandatory	Non-Mandatory Anonymous reporter
	Third-party reporting	Incomplete information Attached information
Repo	ort sent to:	
X	REDACTED [Priests, Deacons, Bro	Chair – Clergy Misconduct Oversight Board
	REDACTED [All women religious]	Vicar for Women Religious
	REDACTED  [Secondary schools]	, Superintendent - Secondary Schools
$X_{}$	Msgr. Craig Cox, (Priests, Deacons Bro	Vicar for Clergy others]
X	REDACTED [All reports]	General Counsel
	REDACTED [Schools, ACC, Ceme	Director - Human Resources tery employees]
	REDACTED [Elementary schools]	, Regional Supervisor – Elementary
	REDACTED [All reports]	Assistance Ministry
	REDACTED	; Director – Religious Education

Date of this report to Public Authority:

November 4, 2003

Name of Public Authority:

Detective Brown

Date of this Report to Archdiocese:

November 3, 2003

Reported to Archdiocese by:

REDACTED

Alleged Victim:

Current Address:

No stable address Family contact REDACTED

REDACTED

Telephone:

Date of Birth:

Alleged Perpetrator:

Fr. George Miller

Name of possible witness:

Older Brothers, REDACTED

Reported Date of Incident:

Unknown to victim

Reported Circumstances of Incident(s): "Fr. George Miller was my REDACTED The abuse happened when he (Fr. Miller) took us on trips. It also happened in the Oxnard parish called Santa Clara."

Two older brothers also sexually abused by Miller (reported by Dr. REDACTED April & May, 2002). Their abuse was on trips and at Guardian Angel in Paicoma in '80's.

Comment: REDACTED spoke to REDACTED he reported that he has a brother, REDACTED who had been abused sexually by Fr. Miller. REDACTED gave us his REDACTED number to reach who said that he needs a drug abuse program. We will write to his Probation Officer as will REDACTED

Reported Type of Abuse or Neglect: Past minor sexual abuse

Submitted by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles:

REDACTED REDACTED

Date of this report to Public Authority:

April 2, 2002 by Dr. REDACTED

Name of Public Authority:

Detective Barraclough

Date of this Report to Archdiocese:

April 2, 2002

Reported to Archdiocese by:

REDACTED

Complainant Name:

REDACTED

Current Address:

Telephone:

REDACTED (# non functioning)

Siblings don't have the #

Date of Birth:

Alleged Perpetrator:

Fr. George Miller

Guardian Angel, Pacoima

Name of possible witness:

**Brothers** 

Reported Date of Incident(s):

15 years ago - 1980's

Reported Circumstances of Incident(s): Want to report something that happened many years ago. It happened to my husband. It happened to him and his brother at Guardian Angel in Pacoima. He played porn videos. My brother-in-law was touched. I don't want this priest around my children. He took a group of kids to Las Vegas and lots of different places.

We were sitting and talking about the past all the brothers. He (REDACTED) would go to Mom's house. Started when they were 7 or 8 years old until they were teens in Jr. High. Lot of touching and sexual things.

The youngest -touching, REDACTED ), touching and videos, REDACTED ), videos, the oldest my husband saw videos. He(Miller) helped them financially with school. He(Miller) was the father figure.

Reported Type of Abuse or Neglect: Reported touching and porn materials by third party. Call taken by Dr. REDACTED

Comments: REDACTED

not in service will continue to find the brothers.

REDACTED

Assistance Ministry Coordinator

Date of the Report to Public Authority:

Name of Public Authority:

Date of this report to Archdiocese:

May 1, 2002, May 3, 2002

Reported to the Archdiocese by:

REDACTED

Complainant Name:

REDACTED

- victim/survivor

Date of birth:

Approx. 1966

Alleged Perpetrator:

Fr. George Miller

At Guardian angel Pacoima

Chapel in Oxnard, family beach house

Date(s) of incidents:

Approx. 1977-80

Reported circumstances:

REDACTED said that her brother was sexually abused by Fr. George Miller who was a very close family friend. He assisted at REDACTED wedding was the minister at christenings and had the keys to the family beach house. There was such a betrayal of trust. My brother was a victim of his. He used our beach house and had boys there. He took the boys on camping trips. REDACTED was the youngest of three of us. Mom had two jobs she was a single parent.

# Comment:

REDACTED was told that Fr. Miller had been removed from ministry. She was asked to have her brother call us and to have him report his abuse to Det. Barraclough at REDACTED

Date of this report to Public Authority:

Name of Public Authority:

Detective Barraclough

Detective Carlosi interviewed REDACTED

Date of this Report to Archdiocese:

May 16, 2002

Reported to Archdiocese by:

REDACTED

Current Address:

Telephone:

Birth:

Alleged Perpetrator:

Fr. George Miller

Rectory Guardian Angel - Pacoima

Victim age 9 -16

Younger brother also a victim REDACTED

Name of possible witness:

Brother, REDACTED

(abused)

Mother, REDACTED

Reported date of incident(s):

1981-1988

Reported circumstances of Incident(s): REDACTED said the incidents "first started in his room (Fr. Miller), little office, sitting room and bedroom when I would sleep on the couch" (spending the night).

"The first time (happened) in the morning before school (he) was massaging my back, front, privates. (He) was on top of me fondling me. (he) washed me for school. He said, "Don't tell nobody its between us. You don't want anything to happen." "In class (I) wondered is this normal? Mom saw blood on underwear. She said, 'What is going on?'

"Penetration...it hurt...I screamed...try to get away" Later years, Told him (Miller) not welcome at the house.

Comment:

REDACTED said he had difficulty coming forward because he is a Catholic. The Pope said it's OK to speak about this so I'm calling. REDACTED said it's not the Church's fault. Given therapists names & numbers for counseling.

REDACTED

Assistance Ministry Coordinator





Archdiocese of Los Angeles

Office of Vicar for Clergy (213) 637-7284 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles California 90010-2202

December 22, 2004

Reverend George M. Miller REDACTED

Dear George:

This is to acknowledge that I received your petition for a dispensation from priestly obligations, and I have forwarded that on to Rome. I know how difficult a decision that was, and I commend you for the careful discernment you employed.

It will likely be some months before we hear any response. I will keep you posted.

You continue to be in my prayers! God bless you in this wonderful Christmas season!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.



# CONGREGATIO PRO DOCTRINA FIDEI

Prot. N. 657/2004

# Angelorum in California (Los Angeles, U.S.A.)

D.nus George M. Miller, presbyter huius archidioecesis, humiliter petit dispensationem ab omnibus oneribus sacrae Ordinationi conexis

# Summus Pontifex Ioannes Paulus, Papa II

Die 21 m. Martii a. 2005

habita relatione de casu a Congregatione pro Doctrina Fidei, precibus praedicti sacerdotis annuit iuxta sequentes rationes:

- 1. Dispensationis Rescriptum a competenti Ordinario oratori quamprimum notificandum est:
  - a) Eius effectum sortitur a momento notificationis;
  - b) Rescriptum amplectitur inseparabiliter dispensationem a sacro coelibatu et simul amissionem status clericalis. Nunquam oratori fas est duo illa elementa seiungere, seu prius accipere et alterum recusare;
  - c) Si vero orator est religiosus, Rescriptum concedit etiam dispensationem a votis;
  - d) Idemque insuper secumfert, quatenus opus sit, absolutionem a censuris.
- 2. Notificatio dispensationis fieri potest vel personaliter ab ipso Ordinario eiusve delegato aut per ecclesiasticum actuarium vel per "epistulas praescriptas" (registered). Ordinarius unum exemplar restituere debet rite ab oratore subsignatum ad fidem receptionis Rescripti dispensationis ac simul acceptationis eiusdem praeceptorum.
- 3. Notitia concessae dispensationis adnotetur in Libris baptizatorum paroeciae oratoris.
- 4. Quod attinet, si casus ferat, ad celebrationem canonici matrimonii, applicandae sunt normae quae in Codice Iuris Canonici statuuntur. Ordinarius vero curet ut res caute peragantur sine exteriore apparatu.
- 5. Auctoritas ecclesiastica, cui spectat Rescriptum oratori rite notificare, hunc enixe hortetur, ut vitam Populi Dei, ratione congruendi cum nova eius vivendi condicione, participet, aedificationem praestet et ita probum Ecclesiae filium se exhibeat. Simul autem eidem notum faciat ea quae sequuntur:

- a) Sacerdos dispensatus eo ipso amittit iura statui clericali propria, dignitates et officia ecclesiastica; ceteris obligationibus cum statu clericali conexis non amplius adstringitur;
- b) exclusus manet ab exercitio sacri ministerii, iis exceptis de quibus in can. 976 et 986 § 2 CJC ac propterea nequit homiliam habere, nec potest officium gerere directivum in ambitu pastorali neve munere administratoris paroecialis fungi;
- c) item nullum munus absolvere potest in Seminariis et in Institutis aequiparatis. In aliis Institutis studiorum gradus superioris, quae quocumque modo dependent ab Auctoritate ecclesiastica, munere directivo fungi nequit;
- d) in aliis vero Institutis studiorum gradus superioris ab Auctoritate ecclesiastica non dependentibus nullam theologicam disciplinam tradere potest;
- e) in Institutis autem studiorum gradus inferioris dependentibus ab Auctoritate ecclesiastica, munere directivo vel officio docendi fungi nequit. Eadem lege tenetur presbyter dimissus ac dispensatus in tradendo Religione in Institutis eiusdem generis non dependentibus ab Auctoritate ecclesiastica.
- 6. Ordinarius curet ne presbyter dispensatus, propter defectum debitae prudentiae, fidelibus scandalum praebeat. Haec pastoralis sollicitudo Ordinarium a fortiori gravissime urget si adest periculum quamvis remotum minoribus abutendi.
- 7. Tempore autem opportuno, Ordinarius competens breviter ad Congregationem de peracta notificatione referat, et si qua tandem fidelium admiratio adsit, prudenti explicatione provideat.

Contrariis quibuscumque minime obstantibus.

Ex Aedibus Congregationis, die 21 m. Martii a. 2005

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Angelus AMATO, S.D.B. Archiep. titularis Silensis

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Subsignatio Presbyteri in signum

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00120 Città del Vaticano, Palazzo del S. Uffizio

16 April 2005

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PROT. N. ......(In responsione fiat mentio huius numeri)

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Your Eminence,

On 27 November 2004 you presented and supported the petition of the Rev. George M. Miller, a priest of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles who has admitted multiple acts of sexual abuse against minors and has requested from the Holy Father the grace of dispensation from all the obligations of the clerical state, including celibacy.

This Congregation, after having carefully examined the documents of the present case and in light of the *votum* expressed by Your Eminence, decided on 16 February 2005 to forward the petition to the Holy Father for his decision. Subsequently, on 21 March 2005, Pope John Paul II granted the Rev. George M. Miller the grace of dispensation *iuxta petita*, from all priestly obligations, including celibacy. Enclosed you will find two copies of the relevant Decree. Your Eminence is kindly requested to ensure that the priest is duly notified thereof. I would ask you also to return one of the signed copies of the Decree to this Office.

With gratitude for Your Eminence's assistance in this matter, I remain,

Yours devotedly in the Lord,

Angelo Amato, SDB Titular Archbishop of Sila Secretary

-Enclosures-

His Eminence Roger Cardinal Mahony Archbishop of Los Angeles 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010-2202 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



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# APOSTOLIC NUNCIATURE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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June 6, 2005

Dear Monsignor Cox:

Thank you for your kind letter of June 1, 2005, with enclosures.

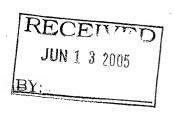
Rest assured that the letter and executed rescript of dispensation from the obligations of the clerical state for **George M. Miller** will be duly forwarded through the diplomatic pouch to Archbishop Angelo Amato, Secretary, Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

With cordial regards and best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop Gabriel Montalvo Apostolic Nuncio

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D. Vicar for Clergy Archdiocese of Los Angeles 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, California 90010-2241



June 17, 2005.

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Assumption Church, 2832 Blanchard St., Los Angeles, Cal. 90033-2699.

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George M. Miller was baptized at your parish on May 10, 1946. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1963. On March 21, 2005, he was dispensed from all priestly obligations, including celibacy.

May I ask you the favor of adding the following information to the entry of the fact of his baptism in the register at your parish. When you have done that, would you be so kind as to let me know that you have done so.

Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

Prot. N. 657/2004.

March 21, 2005, dispensed from all priestly obligations, including celibacy by Pope John Paul 11.

This is not a pleasant task. Thank you for doing it. Have a wonderful Summer.

Sincerely in Christ,

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June 1, 2005

Archbishop Gabriel Montalvo, J.C.D. Apostolic Nunciature 3339 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20008

RE: CDF Prot. No. 657/2004-20630

Your Excellency:

Would you please be so kind as to forward the enclosed letter and signed rescript to Archbishop Amato at the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith?

Thank you very much for your attention to this matter. May God continue to bless you!

Yours in Christ,

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.

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June 1, 2005

His Excellency
Archbishop Angelo Amato
Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith
Piazza del S. Uffizio, 11
00120 Vatican City
EUROPE

RE: Prot. No: 657/2004-20630

Your Excellency:

On behalf of Cardinal Roger Mahony, I am enclosing one of the signed copies of the rescript of dispensation from the obligations of the clerical state issued in response to the petition of George M. Miller.

We are most grateful to the late Holy Father, to you, and to the members and staff of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith for granting this petition for the good of both the petitioner and the Church.

With great esteem, and assurance of continued prayers for you and the ministry of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.

Vicar for Clergy

Archdiocese of Los Angeles

enclosure: signed rescript



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# APOSTOLIC NUNCIATURE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

25.832 No. ..... December 31, 2004

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Reverend and dear Monsignor Cox:

I write to acknowledge your kind letter of December 21, 2004, with its enclosure addressed to His Eminence, Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger, Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, concerning the case of **The Reverend George M. Miller**.

Please be assured, Monsignor, that the aforementioned correspondence will be duly forwarded to Cardinal Ratzinger.

With prayerful and cordial best wishes for a joyous and peace-filled New Year, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop Gabriel Montalvo Apostolic Nuncio

The Reverend Monsignor Craig A. Cox Vicar for Clergy Archdiocese of Los Angeles 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, California 90010-2202





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December 22, 2004

Reverend George M. Miller 205 E. Driffil Boulevard, #91 Oxnard, CA 93030

Dear George:

This is to acknowledge that I received your petition for a dispensation from priestly obligations, and I have forwarded that on to Rome. I know how difficult a decision that was, and I commend you for the careful discernment you employed.

It will likely be some months before we hear any response. I will keep you posted.

You continue to be in my prayers! God bless you in this wonderful Christmas season!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Monsigner Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.

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December 21, 2004

Archbishop Gabriel Montalvo, J.C.D. Apostolic Nunciature 3339 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20008

RE: Reverend George M. Miller

Your Excellency:

Last month, you forwarded materials regarding Father Miller to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

Enclosed, please find Father Miller's petition for a dispensation from the obligations of the clerical state, and a brief letter to Cardinal Ratzinger.

Would you please be so kind as to forward these items to the Congregation on our behalf?

Thank you very much for your kind attention to this matter. May God continue to bless you!

Yours in Christ,

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.

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#### 21 December 2004

His Eminence, Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, Piazza del S.Ufficio 11 00120 Vatican City EUROPE

Re: Reverend George M. Miller

#### Your Eminence:

On 17 November 2004, Cardinal Roger M. Mahony wrote to you with regard to the situation of Reverend George Miller. We do not yet know the protocol number assigned by the Congregation to this case.

In that letter, Cardinal Mahony indicated we had received preliminary indications that Father Miller would submit a petition for dispensation from the obligations of the clergy and a return to the lay state. The Cardinal also petitioned for authorization to undertake a canonical penal process in accord with canon 1720 should Father Miller not present a petition.

Father Miller has indeed submitted a petition for dispensation. Enclosed, please find the original and two copies of that document. I trust that this petition, along with the summary of the case previously submitted, will be sufficient for the Congregation to present this requyest to the Holy Father in the near future.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. May God continue to bless you and the members and officials of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Monsignor Craig A. Cox

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### Reverend George M. Miller 205 East Driffill Boulevard, #91 Oxnard, CA 93030

His Holiness Pope John Paul II Vatican City State

Your Holiness,

I, Reverend George M. Miller, hereby petition for a dispensation from the obligations of the Sacred Order of Presbyter and the related obligations of the clerical state, and a return to the status of a layman.

I present this petition because I recognize that it is impossible for me to return to any effective priestly ministry. Therefore, I freely petition this return to the lay state for the welfare of the Church and for my own spiritual welfare.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Reverend George M. Miller

Date: November 3, 2004

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With cordial regards and best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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November 18, 2004

Archbishop Gabriel Montalvo, J.C.D. Apostolic Nunciature 3339 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20008

RE: Reverend George M. Miller

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Thank you very much for your kind attention to this matter. May God continue to bless you!

Yours in Christ,

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.

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#### 17 November 2004

His Eminence, Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, Piazza del S. Ufficio 11 00120 Vatican City EUROPE

Re: Reverend George M. Miller

#### Your Eminence:

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Throughout his priesthood, Father Miller appears to have engaged in abusive sexual activities with pre-pubescent and post-pubescent boys.

While the State criminal charges initially filed against Father Miller were dismissed because of the Stogner decision of the United States Supreme Court, there remains an outstanding subpoena and ongoing police investigations. We have heard that there is a very real possibility he may yet again be arrested and tried for purported criminal actions where the statute of limitations has not yet expired.

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Letter to Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger Regarding Reverend George M. Miller Page 2 of 2

and authorization to conduct the administrative penal process provided by canon 1720, with a view to recommending the penalty of dismissal from the clerical state.

In view of the indications that he will soon present a petition for laicization, at this time I am providing only a few minimal materials from his file. Should he not present such a petition, I will then forward appropriate documentation to you.

Thank you for your attention to this difficult matter. Please be assured of my prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Cardinal Roger M. Mahony Archbishop of Los Angeles

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NAME OF ORDINARY	Cardinal Roger M. Mahony
CDF PROT. N. (if available)	
NAME OF CLERIC	Reverend George M. Miller

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1963	Our Lady of Pe	erpetual Help	Santa	Clarita, C	California	Parochial Vicar	
1968	San Buenavent	ura Mission	Ventu	ra, Califo	ornia	Parochial Vicar	
1971	St. Philomena		Carson	ı, Califor	ornia Parochial Vicar		
1973	Guardian Ange	1	Pacoir	coima, California		Team Ministry	
1976	Guardian Ange	o1	Pacoir	Pacoima, California		Administrator Pro Tem	
1976	Camp Karl Hol	lton	Pacoir	Pacoima, California		Chaplain	
1981	Guardian Ange	1	Pacoir	Pacoima, California		Pastor	
1984	Santa Clara		Oxnar	nard, California		Parochial Vicar	
1996						Sick Leave	
1997	·					Inactive Leave	
1998						Retired without Faculti	es

Year	Victim	Age	Imputable Acts	Denunciation
1977	REDACTED	10	During a fishing trip, unspecified acts of a sexual molestation that were very disturbing to the boy and required counseling; the counselor confurmed that serious acts of sexual abuse were at issue, though did not describe their exact nature	1977
1980s		7	Unspecified sexual molestation on trips where the priest took the boy over a period of several years	2003
1974  1978		8-12	Showing naked with the boy, fondling of his genitals, compelling child to sleep together, fondling of buttocks, rubbing of priest's genitals against the boy's skin, ejaculating on the child.  Total of approximately 30 occasions.	2002
1974 - 1978		10- 14	Naked massages and baths together, fondling of genitals, oral copulation, sodomy, occurring approximately twice a month over a period of several years.	1996
1960s		10	Pulling down pants of the child when he was in third grade, other sexual activities when the child was in seventh grade.	2003
1981- 1988		9-16	Priest massaged the boy's back and privates; fondled the boy's genitals; one incident of anal penetration that caused bleeding in the boy	2002
1977		8	The priest provided pornography to the boy and engaged in sexual touching	2002

## CIVIL PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE CLERIC

Year	Type/Case	Conviction	Sentence (include copies of civil documents)
2002	Superior Court, County of Los Angeles, subpoena		
2003	Arrest and charged with 18 felony county of various types of lewd activities with children under the age of 14	None	Dismissed due to the expiration of criminal statutes of limitations in response to the Stogner decision of the United States Supreme Court.
2004	Police and District Attorney Investigation	Ongoing, indications that an arrest may be forthcoming	
2003	Civil lawsuit for damages (BC304904),REDACTED REDACTED	pending	*
2003	Civil lawsuit for damages (BC308555) REDACTED	pending	·

Year	
1977	Upon receiving a report from the mother of a ten year old boy that he had been molested by Father Miller, an official of the Archdiocese confronted Father Miller. He denied any immoral activity. A counselor seeing the boy was certain that significant abusive activity had occurred, actions quite damaging to him. In light of Father Miller's denial of any misconduct, however, no further action was taken at this time.
1989	The Pastor under whom Father Miller served indicated that Father Miller has "a propensity for spending time with minors, that he had young people to his room, and that he took trips with them." The Pastor cautioned Father Miller about these behaviors and reported his action to the Archdiocese. There was no report of any abusive activity at this time, but the Pastor was uneasy at the activities of Father Miller.
1996	A report was received from an adult that, many years previously when he was a minor, he had been sexually molested by Father Miller. In view of this report, Father Miller was removed from ministry and sent for evaluation at St. Michael's, St. Louis, Missouri. Upon the recommendation of the evaluators at St. Michael's, he entered residential treatment there on June 21, 1996, and remained in treatment for more than a year.
1997	After discharge from St. Michael's in August of 1997, Father Miller began a formal aftercare treatment program coordinated by St. Michael's. Therapy for Father Miller has been provided continually since that time.
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Year	Victim	Age	Imputa	ble Acts	Denunciation
1977	REDACTED	10	During a fishing trip, unspecified acts of a sexual molestation that were very disturbing to the boy and required counseling; the counselor confirmed that serious acts of sexual abuse were at issue, though did not describe their exact nature		1977
1980s	-	7	where f	ified sexual molestation on trips he priest took the boy over a of several years	2003
1974  1978		8-12	Showin of his g sleep to rubbing boy's sl	g naked with the boy, fondling enitals, compelling child to gether, fondling of buttocks, of priest's genitals against the kin, ejaculating on the child. f approximately 30 occasions.	2002
1974 . 		10- 14	Naked fondling sodomy	massages and baths together, g of genitals, oral copulation, c, occurring approximately twice n over a period of several years.	1996
1960s		10	Pulling down pants of the child when he was in third grade, other sexual activities when the child was in seventh grade.  Priest massaged the boy's back and privates: fordled the boy's genitals:		2003
1981- 1988		9-16			2002
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Year	Type/Case	Convi	ction	Sentence (include copies of civi	l documents)
2002	Superior Court, County of Los Angeles, subpoena				
2003	Arrest and charged with 18 felony county of various types of lewd activities with children under the age of 14	None		Dismissed due to the expiration statutes of limitations in respons decision of the United States Su	se to the Stogner
2004	Police and District Attorney Investigation	Ongoing, indications that an arrest may be forthcoming			
2003	Civil lawsuit for damages (BC304904)REDACTED and REDACTED	pendir		·	
2003	Civil lawsuit for damages (BC308555) REDACTED	pendir	ıg		

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1977	Upon receiving a report from the mother of a ten year old boy that he had been molested by Father Miller, an official of the Archdiocese confronted Father Miller. He denied any immoral activity. A counselor seeing the boy was certain that significant abusive activity had occurred, actions quite damaging to him. In light of Father Miller's denial of any misconduct, however, no further action was taken at this time.
1989	The Pastor under whom Father Miller served indicated that Father Miller has "a propensity for spending time with minors, that he had young people to his room, and that he took trips with them." The Pastor cautioned Father Miller about these behaviors and reported his action to the Archdiocese. There was no report of any abusive activity at this time, but the Pastor was uneasy at the activities of Father Miller.
1996	A report was received from an adult that, many years previously when he was a minor, he had been sexually molested by Father Miller. In view of this report, Father Miller was removed from ministry and sent for evaluation at St. Michael's, St. Louis, Missouri. Upon the recommendation of the evaluators at St. Michael's, he entered residential treatment there on June 21, 1996, and remained in treatment for more than a year.
1997	After discharge from St. Michael's in August of 1997, Father Miller began a formal aftercare treatment program coordinated by St. Michael's. Therapy for Father Miller has been provided continually since that time.
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The story of Father Miller is a very sad one. Clearly, he never should have been ordained and had the kinds of screening used now been employed in the late 1950's, he would never have been admitted to the seminary program.

Throughout his priesthood he has engaged in abusive sexual activities with pre-pubescent and post-pubescent boys. In addition to the victims whose identity is known to us, we know there is at least one other since Father Miller had spoken of some eight victims while in treatment at St. Michael's.

While the State criminal charges initially filed against Father Miller were dismissed because of the Stogner decision, there remains an outstanding subpoena and ongoing police investigations. We have heard that there is a very real possibility he may yet again be arrested and tried for purported criminal actions where the statute of limitations has not yet expired.

As long ago as 1997, it was obvious that Father Miller could never be restored to ministry.

Recently, there have been indications that he will submit a petition for dispensation from the obligations of the clergy and a return to the lay state. I welcome this and believe it would be helpful for his own ongoing healing for him to take responsibility yin this way. Should he not follow through with this, however, I hereby petition for a dispensation from prescription and authorization to conduct the administrative penal process provided by canon 1720, with a view to recommending the penalty of dismissal from the clerical state.





Office of Vicar for Clergy (213) 637-7284 3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles California 90010-2202

December 22, 2004

Reverend George M. Miller 205 E. Driffil Boulevard, #91 Oxnard, CA 93030

### Dear George:

This is to acknowledge that I received your petition for a dispensation from priestly obligations, and I have forwarded that on to Rome. I know how difficult a decision that was, and I commend you for the careful discernment you employed.

It will likely be some months before we hear any response. I will keep you posted.

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You continue to be in my prayers! God bless you in this wonderful Christmas season!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Monsigner Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.

Vicar for Clergy





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December 21, 2004

Archbishop Gabriel Montalvo, J.C.D. Apostolic Nunciature 3339 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20008

RE: Reverend George M. Miller

Your Excellency:

Last month, you forwarded materials regarding Father Miller to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

Enclosed, please find Father Miller's petition for a dispensation from the obligations of the clerical state, and a brief letter to Cardinal Ratzinger.

Would you please be so kind as to forward these items to the Congregation on our behalf?

Thank you very much for your kind attention to this matter. May God continue to bless you!

Yours in Christ,

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.

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21 December 2004

His Eminence, Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, Piazza del S.Ufficio 11 00120 Vatican City EUROPE

Re: Reverend George M. Miller

#### Your Eminence:

On 17 November 2004, Cardinal Roger M. Mahony wrote to you with regard to the situation of Reverend George Miller. We do not yet know the protocol number assigned by the Congregation to this case.

In that letter, Cardinal Mahony indicated we had received preliminary indications that Father Miller would submit a petition for dispensation from the obligations of the clergy and a return to the lay state. The Cardinal also petitioned for authorization to undertake a canonical penal process in accord with canon 1720 should Father Miller not present a petition.

Father Miller has indeed submitted a petition for dispensation. Enclosed, please find the original and two copies of that document. I trust that this petition, along with the summary of the case previously submitted, will be sufficient for the Congregation to present this requyest to the Holy Father in the near future.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. May God continue to bless you and the members and officials of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Monsignor Craig A. Cox

Vicar for Clergy

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# Reverend George M. Miller REDACTED

His Holiness Pope John Paul II Vatican City State

Your Holiness,

I, Reverend George M. Miller, hereby petition for a dispensation from the obligations of the Sacred Order of Presbyter and the related obligations of the clerical state, and a return to the status of a layman.

I present this petition because I recognize that it is impossible for me to return to any effective priestly ministry. Therefore, I freely petition this return to the lay state for the welfare of the Church and for my own spiritual welfare.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Reverend George M. Miller

Date: November 3, 2004

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<i>CMOB</i> #	035	
Considered by CMOB		
Inactive Date	10/1/2008	
Case Name	George Miller	
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Priest Name	Miller, George M.	
DOB	3/12/1938	
Ethnicity	American (USA)	
Diocese	Archdiocese of Los Angeles	
Canon State	Layperson	
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Date Of Ordination		
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Date Referred to Vicar		
Date Of Alleged Incident		
Alleged Victim	Minor Female	
Multiple Victims		
Accusers		
Investigation Complete		
Investigator Name		
Removed From Ministry		
Date Removed From Ministry		
Date Returned To Ministry		
Case Disposition		
Disposition Comments		
Intervention		
Description	Hispanic/Native American, age 64; ordained 1963. Removed from ministry in 1996; asked to retire early in 1998; living privately with sister. Identified in L.A. Times article of August 25, 2002. Arrested in December 2002, charged with 19 felony counts of molestation with two boys in the 1970's and 1980's while serving in Pacoima. There are other complaints. Msgr. Cox to give status report	
Case Status		
November 10, 2004	Msgr. Cox met with him and his therapist to discuss petitioning	409997
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	for laicization. His attorney expects him to be arrested soon.
October 01, 2008	Fr has been laicized.
June 24, 2009	In May 2009, REDACTED received a complaint from an aduly male who alleges that when he was 9 years pld he was abuse by Miller on several occasions. Since Miller was laicized no further action is required.
Follow Up	
Follow Up Date	
Legal Proceedings	
Legal Proceedings?	
Court Cases Settled	
Response	
Response Date	
Sent To Rome?	Date Sent To Rome
Canonical Trial	Canonical Trial Date
Canonical Disposition	
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## **Vicar for Clergy Database**

Clergy Assignment Record

## Mr George M. Miller

**REDACTED** 

Current Primary Assignment

Age Deanery 71

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Birth Date

3/12/1938

Birth City

Los Angeles, California, USA

Diaconate Ordination

Priesthood Ordination

5/1/1963

Diocese Name

Archdiocese of Los Angeles

Date of Incardination

10/31/1959

Religious Community

Ritual Ascription

Latin

Ministry Status

To Lay State

Seminary

St. John's Seminary, Camarillo

**Ethnicity** 

American (USA)

## Fingerprint Verification and Safeguard Training

Date Background Check Safeguard Training

### **Assignment History**

Assignment		Completion Date
Returned To Lay State	5/25/2005	
Retired with No Faculties, RETIRED NO FACULTIES, NO PERMISSION TO MINISTER	2/1/1998	
Retired Living Privately, Retired without faculties, out of priestly ministry.	2/1/1998	
Inactive Leave	7/1/1997	1/31/1998
Sick Leave	5/20/1996	6/30/1997
Santa Clara Catholic Church, Oxnard Associate Pastor (Parochial Vicar), Active Service	3/1/1984	5/19/1996
Guardian Angel Catholic Church, Pacoima Pastor, Active Service	9/1/1981	2/28/1984
Chaplain, Active Service, Camp Karl Holton-Pacoima	6/25/1976	8/31/1981
Guardian Angel Catholic Church, Pacoima Team Ministry, Active Service	2/19/1976	8/31/1981

Guardian Angel Catholic Church, Pacoima Administrator Pro Tem, Active Service	1/19/1976	2/18/1976
Guardian Angel Catholic Church, Pacoima Team Ministry, Active Service	7/16/1973	1/18/1976
St. Philomena Catholic Church, Carson Associate Pastor (Parochial Vicar), Active Service	9/10/1971	7/15/1973
San Buenaventura Mission Catholic Church, Ventura Associate Pastor (Parochial Vicar), Active Service	1/30/1968	9/9/1971
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, Santa Clarita Associate Pastor (Parochial Vicar), Active Service	5/14/1963	1/29/1968

ACCUSED NAME: FR. GEORGE MIller (Lay State) DATE: 5/27/2009

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## ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES Child Abuse Report - Internal Routing Form

This report invo	olves allegations of:				
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Date Reported to the Archdiocese:	5/27/2009
Reported to Archdiocese by:	First reported third party by a friend REDACTED on 5/27/2009.  Actual report on 6/1/2009 per victim.
Alleged Victim:	REDACTED
Current Address:	
Telephone:	
Date of Birth:	REDACTED 71974
Alleged Perpetrator:	Fr. George Miller (returned to Lav State 2005) REDACTED
Reported Date of Incident: (s)	around1982-1983
Reported Circumstances of Incident(s):	REDACTED reports that over a period of two years while he was in 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> grade he was sexually abused by George Miller. The priest would turn on the television in the rectory and they would watch "Anything Goes" which REDACTED described as a playboy game show in which people took off their clothes and it contained pornography. While watching together, Miller would put REDACTED on his lap and then put his hands inside REDACTED pants and fondle him. REDACTED also reported being taken on trips to Oxnard by Miller's with other boys. He reports that they were sexually abused there by Miller but was not specific with details.
Reported Type of Abuse or Neglect:	Sexual abuse
Reports to Public Authorities with dates:	Advised REDACTED of his right to report to authorities. He said he did report to the LAPD in 2000 but his grandmother prevented him from being interviewed by police.
	REDACTED named the following persons as boys who also went to Oxnard and could have been abused:REDACTED  REDACTED
Report initiated by:	REDACTED

## INTERNAL REPORT - CONFIDENTIAL

ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES SEXUAL ABUSE/MISCONDUCT REDACTED

Date: 11/4/03 From:
Alleged Perpetrator:  REDACTED  Alleged Victim/Complainant:
Date of Occurrence (as reported):  REDACTED  Brief Description:  Leported 11/3/0 3  Le Sepually aboved:  Buttery (2) Led Leported
Type of Report:  Mandatory
Msgr. Craig Cox, Vicar for Clergy [Priests, Deacons Brothers] REDACTED

Date of this report to Public Authority:

November 4, 2003

Name of Public Authority:

Detective Brown

Date of this Report to Archdiocese:

November 3, 2003

Reported to Archdiocese by:

REDACTED

Alleged Victim:

Current Address:

Telephone:

Date of Birth:

REDACTED 70

Alleged Perpetrator:

Fr. George Miller

Name of possible witness:

REDACTED

Reported Date of Incident:

Unknown to victim

Reported Circumstances of Incident(s): "Fr. George Miller was REDACTED The abuse happened when he (Fr. Miller) took us on trips. It also happened in the Oxnard parish called Santa Clara."

Two older brothers also sexually abused by Miller (reported by REDACTED April & May, 2002). Their abuse was on trips and at Guardian Angel in Paicoma in '80's.

Comment: REDACTED spoke tcREDACTED he reported that he has a brother REDACTED who had been abused sexually by Fr. Miller gave us his Mother's number to reach who said that he needs a drug abuse program. We will write to his Probation Officer as will New Found Life Residential Treatment Center in Long Beach.

Reported Type of Abuse or Neglect: Past minor sexual abuse

Submitted by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles:

**REDACTED** 

Date of this report to Public Authority:

April 2, 2002 by Dr. REDACTED

Name of Public Authority:

Detective Barraclough

Date of this Report to Archdiocese:

April 2, 2002

Reported to Archdiocese by:

REDACTED

Complainant Name:

Current Address:

Telephone:

Date of Birth:

Alleged Perpetrator:

Fr. George Miller

Guardian Angel, Pacoima

Name of possible witness:

**Brothers** 

Reported Date of Incident(s):

15 years ago - 1980's

Reported Circumstances of Incident(s): Want to report something that happened many years ago. It happened to my husband. It happened to him REDACTED and REDACTED at Guardian Angel in Pacoima. He played porn videos. My brother-in-law was touched. I don't want this priest around my children. He took a group of kids to Las Vegas and lots of different places.

We were sitting and talking about the past all the brothers. He(Miller) would go to Mom's house. Started when they were 7 or 8 years old until they were teens in Jr. High. Lot of touching and sexual things.

The youngest -touching, REDACTED, touching and videos, REDACTED videos, the oldest my husband saw videos. He(Miller) helped them financially with school. He(Miller) was the father figure.

Reported Type of Abuse or Neglect: Reported touching and porn materials by third party. Call taken by REDACTED

Comments: REDACTED

not in service will continue to find the brothers.

REDACTED

Date of the Report to Public Authority:

Name of Public Authority:

Date of this report to Archdiocese:

May 1, 2002, May 3, 2002

Reported to the Archdiocese by:

REDACTED

Complainant Name:

Date of birth:

Approx. 1966

Alleged Perpetrator:

Date(s) of incidents:

Fr. George Miller

At Guardian angel Pacoima

Chapel in Oxnard, family beach house

Approx. 1977-80

Reported circumstances:

REDACTED said that her brother was

sexually abused by Fr. George Miller who was a very close family friend. He assisted at REDACTED wedding was the minister at christenings and had the keys to the family beach house. There was such a betrayal of trust. My brother was a victim of his. He used our beach house and had boys there. He took the boys on camping trips. Was the youngest of three of us. Mom had two jobs she was a single parent.

Comment:

REDACTED was told that Fr. Miller had been removed from ministry. She was asked to have her brother call us and to have him report his abuse to Det. Barraclough at REDACTED

Date of this report to Public Authority:

Name of Public Authority:

Detective Barraclough

Detective Carlosi interviewed REDACTED

Date of this Report to Archdiocese:

May 16, 2002

Reported to Archdiocese by:

REDACTED

Current Address:

Telephone:

Birth:

REDACTED 1972

Alleged Perpetrator:

Fr. George Miller

Rectory Guardian Angel - Pacoima

Victim age 9-16

Younger brother also a victim (Jesus)

REDACTED

Name of possible witness:

Reported date of incident(s):

1981-1988

Reported circumstances of Incident(s):

said the incidents "first started in his room (Fr. Miller), little office, sitting room and bedroom when I would sleep on the couch" (spending the night).

"The first time (happened) in the morning before school (he) was massaging my back, front, privates. (He) was on top of me fondling me. (he) washed me for school. He said, "Don't tell nobody its between us. You don't want anything to happen." "In class (I) wondered is this normal? Mom saw blood on underwear. She said, 'What is going on?'

"Penetration...it hurt...I screamed...try to get away" Later years, Told him (Miller) not welcome at the house.

said he had difficulty coming forward because he is a Catholic. The Pope said it's OK to speak about this so I'm calling. REDACTED said it's not the Church's fault. Given therapists names & numbers for counseling.

REDACTED

#### GEORGE MILLER - CMOB-035-01

Hispanic/Native American Age 64; ordained 1963.

Retired, living privately with sister. Retired without faculties; no permission to minister.

CMOB-035-01

"GEORGE MILLER" – Hispanic/Native American, age 64; ordained in 1963. Removed from ministry in 1996; asked to retire in 1998, living privately with sister. Identified in L.A. Times article of August 25, 2002. Arrested in December 2002, charged with 19 felony counts of molestation with two boys in the 1970's and 1980's while serving in Pacoima. L.A. Times report on 2/20/03 states that a third victim has come forward; Father will be arraigned on March 18, 2003 in San Fernando. There are other complaints. Msgr. Cox to give status report.